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Scourge of husbands, saviour of animals

How the

old town

hall has

changed

By David Hewson

Mr Hugh Dewing, chief executive of the London Borough of Islington, sar in the echoing empriness of his town hall looking for all the world like a character who had escaped from Mr Jim Alien's relevision play United Kingdom

dom.

"Who is still working normally?" I asked.

"Me." It was a joking reply, but in a sense an accur-

reply, but in a sense an accurace one.

Mr Dewing may still be chief executive and acting as such, but at that moment his borough architect was putting down sleeping bags for children whose council home had been closed, and a senior member of the legal department was helping our on the switchboard. It is less than three months since defecting Labour members turned the borough into the first local ambority in the country to be controlled by the Social Democrats. The new morning has dawned and it is one, not of conciliation, common sense and optimism, but of rencour, barred and division. This borough of tattiness and trendiness, where elegant Georgian facade stands cheek by jowl with down-at-heel post-

Georgian facade stands cheek by jowl with down-at-heel post-war drabness and squalor, is now caught in a melodramatic struggle between elected councillor and local authority employee which has few parallels.

More than 1,000 of its 3,000 workforce are on strike over a convoluted issue unconnected with the one which originally took them out onto the streets.

The borough's SDP 'leader-

The borough's SDP leader-ship, in reality the old Labour leadership under a new banner, is preparing for a long hard fight in the knowledge that

even if the present issue is re-

solved, more potentially dramatic ones are on the horizon.

"We are very overmanned in

Preview

Today's 16-page entertainment guide Preview offers a glimpse of the new musical Guys and Dolls—plus what is best in films, television drama and a guide to weekends away.

Fraser quits Harrods group

Sir Hugh Fraser resigned yesterday as a director of the House of Fraser, Britain's largest stores group, from which he was dismissed as

which he was dismissed as chairman more than a year ago. His move to leave the group, which owns Harrods and was built up by his father, is said to have stunned fellow directors, many of whom he appointed, but who voted him out as chairman last January. Sir Hugh played a key role in the boardroom manoeuvres that eventually led to a take. that eventually led to a takethat eventually led to a take-over bid from the trading con-glomerate Lonrho, headed by Mr Rodand "Tiny" Rowland, which was thwarted after a Monopolies Commission investi-Business News, page 15

MPs' salvo on Invincible

Conservative MPs criticized the sale of the Invincible, one of the Royal Navy's most powerful ships, to Australia at a "knockdown" price of £175m. In Melbourne the Labour Opposition threatened to sell the carrier if it returned to power

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Profits rise but ICI is gloomy

ICI, Britain's biggest manufacturing group, which is an acknowledged indicator of industry's health, said that it could see little evidence of berter times these density better times ahead despite a £51m rise in its profits last year Page 15

Reagan rethinks nuclear cuts

The Reagan Administration is working on a radical proposal for substantial reductions in for substantial reductions in the strategic nuclear arsenals of the United States and the Soviet Union, according to American officials in Wash-ington Page 5.

£20,000 award to and another section was cannot be punished." The judgment did not ban caning, he J. P. R. Williams

J. P. R. Williams, the Welsh rugby player, has been awar-ded 220,000 in libel damages in the High Court. He sued The Daily Telegraph, Mr Willism Deedes, the editor, and Mr John Reason, the news-paper's former rugby corre-spondent, over articles brand-ing him a "shamateur"



Rees-Mogg to be arts chairman

Sir William Rees-Mogg, vice-chairman of the BBC and former editor of The Times, is to be the next chairman of the Arts Council in succession to Mr Kenneth Robinson, who completes five years as chair-

Hull City are up for sale

Bull City, unable to stem losses of £9,000 a week, have called in a receiver and will be but up for sale. It is hoped that the fourth division club will be bought as a going concern Page 19

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grain purchases has continued into this year.

This is part of the widening circle of effects now being caused by the Soviet failure to grow enough food. Western experts have also noted a slowing down in the completion of Soviet contracts for expected Soviet contracts for expected Motoring 21
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Theatres, etc 13 technology and consumer goods projects, particularly with West Germany and France, as the Soviet Union seeks to conserve vital foreign Theatres, etc 13 currency to buy grain.

Parents win right to ban school beatings

British parents have the right to refuse to allow their children to be bearen at school, the European Court of Human Rights ruled in Strasbourg yesterday.

In a judgment which will have far-reaching effects in British schools and could herald the end of corporal punishment in this country, the judges decided by six research. the judges decided by six votes to one that the United Kingdom had broken the European Convention on Human Rights. This is the eighth time the court has found this country in breach of the convention. The decision, from which Sir

The decision, from which Sir Vincent Evans, the British judge, dissented, was greeted yesterday with a marked lack of enthusiasm by the teachers' unions. Those campaigning for abolition of the cane were exultant and the Society of Teachers Opposed to Physical Punishment (Stopp), said it was writing to the Government immediately to ask for beating to be banued. to be banned.

Mr Tom Scott, education secretary of Stopp, said he thought the verdict would deal a death blow to corporal punishment. "This is the best day in the

"This is the best day in the 14-year history of Stopp", he said. "We are absolutely delighted. It is a tremendous day also for children, parents, teachers and society as a whole, because corporal punishment is not only pasty and humiliating, it is counter-productive.

"This judgment will remove fear from the education sys-tem. Schools are going to be better places, better for teach-ers and for children."

ers and for children."

Mr David Hart, general secretary of the National Association of Head Teachers, said the decision would put heads in a difficult position in which some parents would opt for their children not to be beaten and others would not. "This could undermine the sanction", he said.

"Whether you are talking about corporal punishment or any other sanction, you cannot.

any other sanction, you cannot have one section of pupils who may be subject to punishment

said. "My advice to members is carry on caning. The judgment does not alter the situation in England and Wales at all."

He called on the Government to declare whether ir was going to recognize the judgment or not. The Department of Edu-cation has refused to say any-thing until it has studied the decision.

decision.

Mr Fred Jarvis, general secretary of the National Union of Teachers, said it was all very well for judges sitting in Strasbourg to make pronouncements but they did not have to work in our schools. This decision would add to teachers' problems, he said.

The judges were considering

The judges were considering two complaints from Scottish women, Mrs Grace Campbell, of Glasgow and Mrs Jane Cosans, of Fife, about the use of the Scottish about the use of the Scottish tawse, a leather strap applied to the palm of the hand.

Their sons were not actually beaten, which was why the judges did not find they had been subjected to torture or inhuman treatment. But they did rule that because the parents tould not have their children taught "in conformity with their own religious and with their own religious and philosophical convictions " this was a breach of the convention.

Mrs Campbell's case was on the refusal of Strathclyde regional education authority, which has since decided to ban the tawse, to promise that her sou, then aged 11, would not be beaten. Mrs Cosans's son was told to report for the belt after he had broken a school rule. He refused and was suspended from school, and Fire regional

education authority refused to guarantee that he would not be beaten.

Britain is the last country in Europe to continue to beat schoolchildren and the Government will be in a quandary about how to meet the judement.

Sir Vincent Evans, in his dissenting opinion, said the court's judgment would be costly and impractical to

Strasbourg judgment, page 2

Directors support Murdoch job cuts

The 12-member board of Times Newspapers Holdings Ltd (TNHL) yesterday gave full backing to the current moves by Mr Rupert Murdoch, proprietor of The Times and The Sunday Times to reduce manning at both newspapers.

The TNHL statement issued after a two-boar meeting said the board had "unanimously supported the steps being taken by Mr Murdoch and management to resolve the Times Group's industrial prob-lems". It had also unanimously agreed that "consideration of all other matters be deferred until the resolution of those problems".

This was taken to mean that the board, which includes the five independent national directors, had deferred a decision of the transfer of the newspapers' titles to News International, the parent com-pany, until the present crisis is resolved. However the man-agement declined to elaborate on its statement.

The company also announced last night that it had reached agreement with two groups of machine room employees, as Mr Murdoch repeated his call for fresh volunteers for redundancy in a personal letter sent to the homes of clerical em-ployees. Applications, which he guaranteed would remain

with the similar period of 1980. But the pattern of massive grain purchases has continued

confidential, should be sent in by March 3.

The TNHL statement said that the board had recognized that there were "two major requirements for continuing production of the two newspapers. These were to bring about adequate reductions in manning and the need for the "continuing financial support of News International".

It appeared that for the time being the titles would remain in Times Newspapers Ltd, the company, which publishes both newspapers. They were transferred to the ownership of News International Ltd, the parent company in December but switched back again to TNL last week.

The company's progress rowards ending 900 shifts was assisted yesterday by agreement with the National Society of Operative Printers Graphical and Media Personnel (Narsopa) on the reduction of a total of 168 shifts in The Sunday Times machine chapel and the Times Newspapers day chapel.

Mr Kenneth Ashton, general secretary of the National Union of Journalists, yesterday said his union could not "endorse the concept of compulsory redundancies whether they be issued to journalists or fellow trade unionists".

Amersham may be last state

By Julian Haviland Political Editor

The Government embar-rassed by the heavy oversub-scription for shares in Amer-

This was conceded with evident reluctance by the Prime Minister in the Commons yesterday under heavy pressure from Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition, who said it was a scandal that State assets should be put on the market and sold at knock-down prices. Mr Foot added, to Labour cheers and Conservative pro-tests, that some of Mrs Margaret Thatcher's advisers who gave wrong advice on the sale of the shares had made "at least a million pounds out of it".

Particulars of the offer for sale of Amersham, a highly successful company which makes radioactive isotopes for medical and industrial uses, show that the two merchant banks which handled the sale; N.M. Rothschild and Sons and Morgan Grenfell and Co, are

Ministers are more sensitive in private to the charge of mis-

to be one for the record book yesterday. The company was last night valued at £94.5m—£23.5m above the Government's sale price (Our Financial Staff

The trading floor was opened 10 minutes earlier to allow dealers to form the usual scrummage .

night it was estimated that nearly 25 million of the origi-nal 50 million shares had changed hands. Dr. Stuart Burgess, the

group's managing director and chief executive, who was in the visitors' gallery, refused to comment about his reaction to

any of his 2,500 shares.

The premium achieved by
Amersham far exceeds any of
the Government's other recent
sell-offs. British Aerospace,

say that the price was too low.

"It is irrefutable that, on the evidence we have today, the issue could have been done at a higher price."

But he stressed: "At the time, the price, if anything, appeared to be a little reck-less."

'Intimidation' row, page 2 Diagnosis for success; page 15

bonanza

sham International and the anger of the Opposition in Parliament, is to consider selling state-owned companies by tender in future, so as to realize their full value.

Morgan Grenfell and Co, are to receive fees of £1.155,000 from the Secretary of State for Energy and £132,000 from the company, from which they pay underwriting commission and fees to brokers.

The Labour Party, hostile from the start to the sale of Amersham, is indignant that the senting of too lower a price for the shares has resulted in an apparent loss to the taxpayer of up to £20m.

Mr Foot pressed Mr Francis Pym, Leader of the Commons, for a debate because of "gross injury to the namonal credit"

for a debate because of "gross injury to the national credit" and to ensure that the same thing did not happen again, parnicularly when the oil exploration and production business of the British National Oil Corporation comes to be marketed, under the Oil and Gas (Enterprise) Bill now before Parliament. This will be the biggest sale of public assets to the private sector.

The offer for sale at 142p per share of 50 million ordinary shares of 25p, of which 44,860,000 belonged to the Government, was subscribed last

ernment, was subscribed last week 24.6 times by applications from Amersham employees, who were offered special

handling the sale than they care to show publicly.

Amersham International's Stock Market debut turned out

By the close of business last

the jump in share price. He said he would not be selling any of his 2,500 shares.

which came to market last which came to marker last February, opened with a premium of 25p over the offer price of 175p and Cable & Wireless could only muster a 30p premium over the offer price of 168p.

A Rothschilds spokesman said last night (the Press Association reports): "It is easy to judge with hindsight. With the benefit of hindsight one can say that the price was too low.

Mr James Dorling, aged 60, who retires today as High Court Tipstaff in London During his 17 years in the job he has restored scores of missing children to their parents, arrested hundreds of wife-beaters, tracked down a cat used in a television "We are very overmanned in some places, all big organizations get to this stage", says Mr James Evans, the council leader. "It was all right in the seventies when there was plenty of money around and the Government was throwing money at local authorities. Now that is over."

Next week, without the benefit of the town hall computer which has been shut down by the strike, the council intends to work our next year's commercial and taken charge of circus animals.

listed amongst them. Mr Schmidt spoke of Germany's

obligation towards the Palestinians and said not a word of Germany's obligation towards

"I said in a speech that

according to a report I got, Mr

Hitler's army, was among the viewers of a film showing the

hanging by piano wire of German officers who had rebelled against the National Socialist regume."

it had subsequently been pointed our to him that Herr

Schmidt had not participated in the screening of the film.

he had been invited to and participated in a trial presi-ded over by the infamous Nazi

ed. . . I will not hesitate to

film. However, participation in the above-mentioned Nazi trial

is of itself a most grave event in the biography of one of the

tens of thousands of German

tens of thousands of German officers during the Holocaust."

Others who have felt the lash of Mr Begin's tongue include the former French President, M Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, who was accused with Herr Schmidt of "un-heilled greed and hypogrisy"

bridled greed and hypocrisy

in dealings with the Arabs. Lord Carcington, the Foreign

Lord Carcington, the Foreign Secretary, and Sir Ian Gilmour, then his deputy, were described last year as "no friends of Israel". On Sir Ian, Mr Begin added: "He is not only an anti-Zionist, he has negative feelings which go much deeper—I don't want to use other words?"

Media accused, page 8

jude Freisler".

Mr Begin said that although

Schmidt, as a lieutenant

the Jewish people.

New Begin tirade against Schmidt

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem, Feb 25

Diplomatic relations between Germany had an obligation to Israel and West Germany suffered another serious blow today when Mr Menachem Begin, the Israeli Prime Minard Schmidt mentioned Auschwitz and said that he acknowledges ister, launched his second the obligation of Germany vitriolic personal attack in less towards a number of people was not Halman Schmidt the West listed amonest them. Mr than a year against Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, and his war record.

Mr Begin issued a statement refusing to apologize to Herr Schmidt for comments he made about him during the Israeli election campaign in May.

"I will not apologize to Mr Schmidt. Rather, I counsel him, speaking as a free man who fought for the continued existence and the liberation of the Jewish people, that he take an example from his predecessor, Mr Brandt, visit Warsaw, got to the site where the Jewish ghetto once stood, go down on his knees and ask the forgiveness of the Jewish

Mr Begin urged Herr Schmidt to seek forgiveness from all nations loving justice and liberty for what his countrymen perpetrated under the National Socialist regime against my people at the time when Mr Schmidt remained faithful to the personal bath he had given to Adolf Hitler, as a soldier and officer in his army".

The outburst was prompted by a report in the Hebrew newspaper Yedioth Aharonoth, which quoted Herr Schmidt as saying that Mr Begin must apologize for his remarks last May, or he would not visit Israel.

[This was defied by Bonn, whose spokesman said the report was "a pure product of family ".—Reuter.] The original attack was made

after Herr Schmidt was reported to have said during a visit to Saudi Arabia that West

Car workers asked to take pay cut By Rupert Morris

Workers at Aston Martin Buckinghamshire, have been asked to make a wage cut to enable the luxury sports-car maker to achieve financial viability. Their average pay is £145 a week. Ascon Martin has a history

of financial problems since 1975 when, with government help, ir was rescued by a consortium.

Mr Tony Penman, chairman of the works committee, con-firmed that wage cuts had been suggested, but was reluctant to Both he and the company denied reports that workers had been told that the com-

will be an increase of less than 15 per cent. After removing the outside elements of the rise and taking inflation into account, that means Islington account, max means Islington will be reducing its rate slightly. Oute how this feat is to be achieved has yet to be explained.

Mr. Evans is more than ready to talk of savings which can be effected without altering staffing levels, but redunding staffing levels, but redunding ancies and reorganizations are clearly on the way, to be bitterly opposed by the local

intends to work out next year's rate. It is a crucial issue for

islington has one of the high-est rate levels in London, and the council is well aware that the size of the rise could

decide the election.

Mr Evans says the result

pany would face closure if the workforce did not agree to wage cuts of as much as £50 authority unions led by Nalgo. for each worker. . . Continued on back page, col 5 NOW Protect and decorate your home WALLCOTE And we will GUARANTEE

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Russians turn to Argentina By Our Foreign Staff The big shortfall in the Soviet harvest for the third year running has led the Russians to make massive purchases of Argentine grain, pushing the Soviet trade balance with the Third World as a whole into deficit for the first time recorded. The latest available Soviet statistics, for the first nine months of 1981, show that imports from Argentina had more than doubled compared with the similar period of 1980.

and other key imports is their significant selling of gold, dia-monds and oil at a time when world prices have been falling.

In the first nine months of
1981, official Soviet figures
show imports from Argentina
of 2,068m roubles (about
£1,420m). Moscow buys meat and wool from Buenos Aires, but grain makes up the bulk of sales. For the corresponding period of 1980, Russian imports from the same country

were valued at only 891m roubles.
Recently published figures show that, from January to September, 1981, Soviet exports to the developing nations were 6,100m roubles, but imports exceeded that at 6,300m roubles. In the similar period for 1980, the reverse was true, with exports at 4,600m roubles and imports at 3,800m roubles. Experts believe that the changed pattern is explained by the surge in purchases

from Argentina. The Soviet Communist Party Another sign of the Russians' is expected to give the total acute need for hard currency figures for the 1981 harvest at

the special agricultural plenum expected to be held in April, the first for four years.

ABut reliable Soviet sources have been telling Western correspondents in Moscow that the harvest last year was 170
But reliable Soviet sources
million tonnes, 66 million
tonnes below target. This
figure is not as bad as some
Western forecasts suggested. In another move, which has taken American trade officials by surprise, the Soviet Union has suddenly resumed big purchases of United States grain

after a gap of several months-and the officials believe that further purchases may be made. President Reagan has said he will not reintroduce a grain embargo except in the extreme circumstances of a general embargo against the Soviet Union However, the present low prices are an expression of

fears in the market that the

Administration eventually will have to use the "grain

Leading article, page 11 | backbench opinion.

New lorry weight limits expected to be modified

words."

damage.

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Transport, is ex-pected to announce next month that he has dropped his proposals to increase maximum lorry weights to 40 tonnes and to allow four axle articulated vehicles to ron at 34 tonnes instead of the present maximum of 32.5 tonnes.

Instead, he is likely to ask for a maximum weight, for five axle vehicles, of 38 tonnes. The expected concessions come after consultations be-tween Mr Howell and officers of the Conservative backbench

transport committee, since the revolt by Tory MPs in Decem-ber against his White Paper It became apparent then that the proposals as they stood would not get through the Commons. The transport committee officers have been pressing a number of compromises on Mr Howell in an attempt to make his package more palatable to

One option put forward was for the 40-tonne lorry to be allowed, but that two of the five axles should be driven. Another, the one Mr Howell is now expected to accept, was that the maximum weight should be 38 tonnes with only one of the five axles driven. A third was for 38-tonne lorries, with two axles driven. Tests have proved that with two axles being driven there is less road

The Conservative critics have told Mr Howell that his pro-posal to allow four-axle lorries to run at 34 tonnes would be unlikely to get through, unlikely to get through, because of the greater road damage they say it would cause.

Mr Howell has been trying to mollify his critics with a series of measures, including the announcement of eight new by-passes being added or restored to the Covernment's trunk road programme

SUMMARY

BR talks next stage

British Rail and two of the railway unions yesterday formally failed to agree in negotiations about flexible rostering. They will now move to the next stage in the time-table of talks laid down by the McCarthy inquiry.

All three rail unions will meet British Rail next week, probably on Monday under the auspices of the Railways Staff National Council. If there is again no agreement, as seems likely, the issue of rostering will go next month to the Railway Staff National Tribunal, also headed by Lord McCarthy.

The meeting yesterday of the Railway Staff Joint Council lasted barely 30 minutes. Mr Raymond Buckton, general secretary of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen (Aslef) said as he left the meeting that there could be no agreement because British Rail's proposals include elimination of the guaranteed eight-hour day, which Aslef has said it regards as sacrosance.

A strike by guards at South-end severely disrupted services to and from Liverpool Street, in the Eastern Region, yester-

Burnet top TV journalist

Alastair Burnet, of Indepen-dent Television News, was the winner of the top award for television journalism in the annual awards announced in London last night by the Royal Television Society.

A second ITN man, Jon Snow, is named as winner of the international news category for his reports from El Salvador and Tim Sebastian, of the PRC becomes calericing jour. BBC, becomes television jour-nalist of the year for his work

Kate Adey accepted the award presented to BBC News for its coverage of the Guiney for its coverage of the chimey funeral in Northern Ireland.

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'Resign' call to **Lady Simey**

Merseyside police yesterday demanded the resignation of Lady Simey, aged 76, chairman of the county's police commit-tee, after her allegations to a Common's select committee on Wednesday of police intimida-tion and victimization of com-

Mr Fred Jones, chairman of the county's police federation, who called an emergency meet-ing of the executive, said after-wards: "It was a unanimous decision. We feel we can no longer work with her."

Soldier on glue sniffing charge

A soldier believed to be the first to be charged under military law with sniffing glue appeared at a court martial at Bulford Camp, Wiltshire, yes-

Royal Artillery Stephen Beckwith was said to have been found glazed and incoherent over a tin of powerful solvent while on leave from the Second Field Regiment, Plain. Beckwith pleads not suity to contravening the Army Act with conduct prejudicial to good order.

The hearing continues today.

Leaflets attack Hitler play

Leaflets amacking The Portage to San Cristobal of AH, the new play about Hitler at the Mermaid Theatre, in Lon-don, accusing it of encouraging autisematism and defending Hitler's persecution of the Jews, have been handed to the heatre's management for dis-

The leaflets reproduce an armole in today's Jewish Chronicle, written by Mr Martin Gilbert, the historian

Bus revenue cuts rate rise

An increase in the use of West Yorkshire buses enabled the county council yesterday to amounce a cut in its proposed rate from 46.8p recommended in January, to 44.5p, an increase of 18.4 per cent over 1981-82.

Peterborough, accused overmanning and wasteful spending, is cutting its rates by 20 per cent. But the reduc-tion of 70 will be offset by a 6p increase from Cambridgeshire County Council.
Humberside County Council has approved a rate of 153p, an increase of 43 per cent.

'No' to Civil Service offer

tion of Professional Civil Servants, to press for the removal of the chairman of the Civil Service arbitration tribunal, Mr David Calcutt, QC, was defeated yesterday at a meeting of the nine unions in the service. The Council of Civil Service Unions, the umbrella Unions, the umbrella body which represents 520,000 whitecollar employees, also rejected the Government's "market forces" pay offer, which ranges from no increase to one of 5.5 per cent. The offer will now go to arbitration.

An attempt by the Institu-

Haughey retains leadership as challenge fails

unanimously elected as Fianna. Fail candidate for the Irish premiership at yesterday's meeting of the parliamentary party, which saw the challenge to his position collapse amid calls for unity.

The end of Mr Desmond O'Malley's leadership chal-lenge came half way through the meeting only hours after he had announced formally that he would stand.

Mr O'Malley, a former Cabinet minister, withdrew his name after the party's 81 MPs had heard senior figures urge that nothing should be done which would undermine Fianna Fail's chances of forming the republic's next minority Yesterday's events brought

a rare intervention from Mr Jack Lynch, the former Fianna Fail leader, who resigned in 1979 after backbench plots which eventually gave Mr Haughey the leadership.

Mr Lynch said Mr O'Malley had been right to let his name go forward in the light of "numerous requests" from party members after Fianna Fail failed to win an overall majority. . The statement was interpre-

ted last night as an attempt by Mr Lynch to rally party members demoralized by yes-terday's events. After the vote in Leinster House an eleted Mr Haughey said he had never worried about the challenge.

But the criticism will con-tinue and he still must win independent support if Fianna

Mr Charles Haughey was who yesterday announced his decision to stand after four days of speculation. Most serious is his withdrawal of the challenge less than 12 hours after publicly throwing down the gauntlet.

☐ The Northern Ireland Department of Health and Social Services yesterday received an official public rebuke for failing to exercise effective financial control over four regional boards which last year spent more than £447m (Anthony Bevins writes).

A White Paper summary of accounts for 1980-81, published yesterday, carried a report from Mr Denis Calvert, the Comptroller and Auditor Gen-eral, pointing out that seven separate criticisms had been

Weaknesses included stores control, with disparities be-tween actual stocks and com-puter records; a high incidence payments; delays in recovering "considerable amounts due from staff for meals, private functions and telephone calls the free issue of foodstuffs to staff and others, "serious shortcomings in the procedures for the granting of car loans to staff, and a lack of action in identifying the amount of public funding for a sports

The White Paper said the department regarded the gen-eral standard of financial control as reasonably satis-factory, and that weaknesses would be followed up. But Mr Calvert said: "1

have noted that several of independent support if Fianna
Fall is to form the next government on March 9.

The collapse of the attempt to oust Mr Haughey is a serious blow to Mr O'Malley, effective."

Take matters were also mentioned in the appointed auditor's reports for previous years, so that the department's follow-up has not always been effective."

'Intimidation' row at Times newspapers

Clerical workers in several need department who put Sunday Times yesterday spoke of intimidation by their chapel of prevent people coming forward a motion saying that people should be allowed to opt for redundancy if they ward for voluntary redundancy wanted to, said she felt she to meet the company's request for a reduction of 210 in clerical numbers.

Members of the National fair hearing, but I had to push

(Natsopa) in editorial personnel, library, tele-ads and copytakers departments, said many more would have come forward but for the threat they would

came forward to replace them: a full-time Natsopa branch volumary redundancy carries official, had told the meeting more generous terms. And yes-that anybody applying for terday Mr Rupert Murdoch, voluntary redundancy under cheirman of TNL, sent clerical rule 44 would "definitely not staff a personal letter promis-ing strict confidentiality for volunteers.

the meeting on Wednesday, which voted to reject the com-pany's redundancy offer, that

cards would be removed "That is the main stumbling block," one male clerical worker said. "But even so, if we had had a secret ballot on the motion of rejection, the result would have been very

Differences of opinion

Many people abstained be-cause they were afraid of being "marked out" for speaking against the line of the meeting, he said. "It is very frightening; if you do speak out; people are hostile and jeer at

Most clerical workers did not wish to be quoted by name. A branch official had already A orance official had already said that one member, Miss Mary Fogarty who opposed the motion, should be "branched" or disciplined.

Wide differences of opinion emerged more strongly yester-day. Some said the vote sup-porting chapel officials was 6-4 in favour, others 9-1 and a number of staff in different departments denied there had been any pressure. Mr Barry Fitzpatrick, father (shop steward) of The Sunday Times clerical chapel denied intimidation: "I cannot see how an argument about principle can

Mr Fitzpatrick agreed that one union official might have spoken at the meeting of union members never working again in Fleet Street but said that argument was that rules were a side-issue in comparison with the major issues involved. An editorial secretary told

how at the meeting members who had put in for voluntary Promise of redundancy were invited to withdraw their application. Secrecy

We were told: there is no The lett need to feel ashamed; that it was quite understandable that people had been tempted, but sonally from a Post Office box

now must cancel it."

The union line was that members were "selling other people's jobs" and that those yesterday because there was not time for a proper debate; and we suddenly had to vote on a motion which many people did not properly understand."

Members of the National fair hearing, but I had to push Society of Operative Printers, for it. They first said it had to Graphical and Media Personnel be read out then submitted in be read out then submitted in writing, then it couldn't be put as an amendment to the main motion and so on. They hauled me over the coals; it was pretty nerve-wracking.

Inse their union cards.

The company has said that the 210 who have received dismissal notices would have them withdrawn if enough volunteers and said that Miss Ann Field, work again in Fleet Street ".

She added: "I would like to Despite assurances by it is against to lose my card-national union officials to the I am going to lose my card-contrary, Natsopa branch offi-cials told clerical workers at point of view opposed to the platform. People are afraid volunteer and not he told that when they are at a union meeting."

Her feelings were "widely shared", she claimed "I thing a lot more people are going to return the new notices being sent to their own homes than Mr Fitzpatrick would believe or like."

Half a dozen staff in the correspondence department, which deeds with post and mes-sages, denied intimidation and declared themselves firmly behind chapel policy.

One man, who like his colleagues declined to be named, said: "The only pressure has come from the company seeking 210 redundancies. There has been none on the union side." The same message came from four women on the TNL switchboard who between them have worked 51 years for the company. They accused staff considering voluntary redundancy of being "parasites" wanting to "sell their jobs" and said the switch-board would be almost unworkable if 16 of the 22 jobs had to go.

had to go. Another operator said: "Some of the critics have only been here two or three years. I have been in the print since All this busines: I was 15. about being intimidated is making us sick. You can't intimi-date people of our age." Mr Murdoch's letter said that

the terms on offer—which range from a minimum of 12 weeks pay to a maximum of £25,000—would very often mean payments of more than four times the statutory scale. It added: "I urge all of you so and to ignorme unreasonable and short-sighted opposition to what we propose

The letter said that applications for redundancy would be collected for Mr Murdoch perthat it was a mistake and they number. "I can assure that your application will be treated in strict confidence and will n tobe brought into this building. Your name will not wanting voluntary redundancy be disclosed without your prior were "scum", "money-grubbing" and "greedy." be disclosed without your prior first time with the requirement this year that all schools approached until we are include their piolicy on corpbing " and "greedy." approached until we are Another secretary said: guaranteed by your union in "Many of us felt so angry writing that your chances of future employment are not

A chapel circular issued yesterday described Mr Murdoch's appeal as a "deliberate attempt to by-pass your union regarding church schools, although there are some signs of a move

Strasbourg judgment extracts

Personal beliefs on caning upheld

Summary of the judgment by the European Court of Human Rights on corporal punishment (applicants: Mrs. Grece Campbell and Mrs Jane

Second sentence of article 2 of: Protocol No 1 1. The court recalled that a

respect parents' philosophical convictions in the exercise of each and every function which it assumes in relation to edutracy to the Government's submission, the court held, atter also, that in Scotland the functions assumed by die stare, which had undertaken responsibility for formulating general education policy, extended to questions of discipline in general, discipline being an integral part of any educational system.

 The expression, "chiloso-phical convictions", was not, in the court's view, capable of exhaustive definition but, in the compext of article 2, it denoted views which attained a certain level of cogency, seriousness, cohesion and important to the compext of the content of sermusness, conesaun and amportance, were worthy of respect in a democratic society, were not incompatible with human dignity and did not conflict with a fundamental right of a child to education. The applicants' views on corporal punishment satisfied therefore, contrary to the Govtherefore, contrary to the Gov-erument's submission, amount to "philosophical convictions". to "philosophical convictions".

3. The court rejected the Government's plea that the policy of moving gradually towards the abolition of corporal punishment was in itself sufficient to comply with the duty to "respect" philosophical con-

The court also did not regard it as established that any other solution would necessarily be incompanible with the United Kingdom's reservation to article 2, on which the Government had relied, whereby the obligation to respect by the obligation to respect philosophical convictions had been accepted only so far as it was compatible with "the pro-vision of efficient instruction and training, and the avoidance of turnassonable public expen-diture".

The court agrees with the commission that neither of these two extremes can be adopted for the purposes of interpreting article 2: the former would too narrowly restrict the scope of a right that is guaranteed to all parents and the latter might result on the inclusion of maters of insufficient weight or ters of insufficient weight or

Having regard to the convention as a whole, including article 17, the expression, "philosophical convictions", in the present context denotes, in the court's opinion, such con-victions as are worthy of respect in a "democratic society" (see, most recently; the Young, James and Webster

the British judge:

difficulties in practice.

The maintaining of dis-cipline is certainly an integral

part of the educational system,

as the majority of the court

have observed. So are many

other matters relating to the provision of educational facili-

ries and the internal admini-stration of schools, as distinct

from the content of the

If the sentence in question

is interpreted in a sense wide enough to cover the views of

parents opposed to corporal punishment, I do not see how it can reasonably be applied so

as to exclude from its scope all manner of other strongly held

views regarding the way in

which schools are organized and administered.

There may be very strongly held beliefs on such matters as

the segregation of sexes, the

pasis.

The view in favour of the abolition of independent schools, for example, could be

regarded as a philosophical conviction on the part of those

who believe in the ideology of egalitarianism. It would surely

instruction given.

basis.

The British judge's voice of dissent

An interpretation of the second sentence of article 2, extending its application beyond its intended scope, could give rise to very considerable difficulties in a property considerable. state's educational system. There is an convictions which it is my un-derstanding that erticle 2 was aimed to protect and views of the kind just mentioned. Different religious and philosophical convictions relat-

ing to the content of instruction can be duly respected in the teaching process by presenting information in an objective way, but in regard to such matters as the segregation of the sexes, streaming and the abolition of independent schools, there would be dent schools, there would be insuperable practical dif-ficulties in respecting equally the views of those who are opposed to and those who favour one system or the

As Mr Renton quite rightly foresaw in his comments in the consultative assembly on the draft protocol, "we are gerting into very deep water when we start talking along those lines" (official report of the thirtyfourth sitting of the consulta-tive assembly, December 7 1951, collected edition V, P.

streaming of pupils according to ability or the existence of independent schools, which could be claimed to have a religious or philosophical basis. The court accepts that the first solution would be incom-patible with the avoidance of unreasonable public expenditure, especially in the present economic situation.

The following views are create problems which were would surely involve unreason-extracts from the dissenting never intended by the authors able expense and hardly be opinion of Sir Vincent Evans, of the protocol if different and compatible with the provision inevitably conflicting opinions of efficient instruction and of this order had to be training. Moreover, in this con-accommodated within the nexion the wider implications difference between the kind of in mind.

There remains the third possible solution referred to above. The court was informed at the oral hearing that at least some members of the commission held the view that this would, for many reasons, not be a practical solution. I agree with this view.

It seems to me essential that any system of discipline in a school should be seen to be fair and capable of being fairly administered, otherwise a sense of injustice will be generated with harmful consequences both for the upbringing of the individual and for harmonious relations within the group.

It will also place the teacher in an impractical position to administer discipline fairly if children in the same class have to be treated differently according to the views of their parents. It has been pointed out that.

where corporal punishment is used, exceptions are in any event made in respect of girls and children suffering from a disability. I believe that child-ren will readily understand the reasons for this, but I think they are likely to regard it as arbitrary and unjust if Johnny is exempted simply because his mum or dad says so.

but it is hoped that individ



Difference of opinion: Sir Vincent Evans, who dissented from the Strasbourg verdict, and Mrs Grace Campbell, one of the mothers who brought the case.

tence of Article 2.

judgment of August 13, 1981. First sentence of Article 2 of series A, No 44 p25, para 63) Protocol No 1. Jeffrey Cosans's suspension human dignity; in addition, had been motivated by his and they must not conflict with the fundamental right of the child to education, the whole of article 2 being dominated by return to school could have its first sentence (see the above - mentioned Kjeldsen, Busk Madsen and Pedersen their convictions, which the judgment pp25-26, para 52). The applicants' views relate their convictions, which the second sentence of Article 2 of this case have to consider an actual application of corporal punishment, observed firstly that, provided it was sufficiently real and immediate, a mere threat of conduct probable to corporal chastisement. His return to school could have been secured only if his above - mentioned Kjeldsen, and Pedersen their convictions, which the judgment pp25-26, para 52).

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European Convention on Human Rights

Protocol 1 article 2: "No person shall be denied the right to education. In the exercise of any functions which it assumes in relation to education and to teaching, the stare shall respect the right of parents to ensure such education and teaching in conformity with their own religious and philosophical convictions."

Article 3: "No one shall be subjected to torture or to. inhuman or degrading treat-ment or punishment".

behaviour, namely the integrity corporal punishment and the exclusion of the distress which the risk of such punishment lentalls. They are views which satisfy each of the various criteria listed above; it is this that distinguishes them from any integer that might be held on opinions that might be held on other methods of discipline or on discipline in general. 4. The court accordingly con-cluded, by six votes to one, cluded, by six votes to one, that both applicants had been victims of a violation of the

this case have to consider an actual application of corporal punishment, observed firstly that, provided it was sufficiently real and immediate, a mere threat of conduct prohibited by article 3 might violate that provision.

their convictions, which the United Kingdom was obliged to respect under the second sencants' sons had found them-selves did not amount to "tor-ture" or "inhuman freat-ment". Furthermore, it would not constitute "degrading treatment" unless they had undergone, in the eyes of others or in their own eyes, tence of Article 2.

The right to education, guaranteed by the first sentence of article 2, by its very nature calls for regulation by the state, but such regulation must never injure the substance of the right or conflict with other rights enshrined in the convention or its protocols (see the humiliation or debasement at-taining a minimum level of severity that had to be assessed vention or its protocols (see the judgment of July 23, 1968, on the merits of the "Belgian linguistic" case, series A, no 6, with regard to the circumstances of the case.

32, para 5). The suspension of Jeffrey Cosans, which remained in force for nearly a whole schoolyear, was motivated by his and his parents' refusal to accept that he receive or be liable to corporal chastisement. His return to school could have been secured only if his parents had acted contrary to

their convictions, convictions which the United Kingdom is obliged to respect under the second sentence of article 2. A condition of access to an educational establishment that conflicts in this way with snother right enshrined in protocol no 1 cannot be described as reasonable and in any power of regulation under-article 2.

article 2.

2. The court accordingly concluded, by six votes to one, that there had also been, as regards Jeffrey Cosans, breach of the first sentence of article 2.

Article 3 of the convention

described as degrading only by a distortion of the ordinary and

any adverse psychological or other effects.

Jeffrey Cosans might have experienced feelings of apprehension or disquiet, but they were not sufficient to amount to " degrading treatment", and

the same applied, a fortiori, to Gordon Campbell, who had never been directly threatened with corporal punishment. established.

parties). The Government and counsel for Mrs Campbell had reserved their position on the question of the application of article 50. Counsel for Mrs Cosans had indicated that she would be submitting a claim in respect of moral damages and legal costs. The court found this

douald (Canadian), and of Mr M. A. Eissen, registrar, and Mr H. Petzold, deputy registrar.

Corporal chastisement is traditional in Scottish schools and, by a large majority of parents. Of itself, this is not conclusive of the issue before the court, for the threat of a particular measure is not excluded from the category of "degrading", within the meaning of Article 3, simply because the measure has been in use for a long time

However, particularly in view of the above-mentioned circumstances obtaining in Scotland, it is not established that pupils at a school where such pumishment is used are, solely by reason of the risk of being subjected thereto, humiliated or debased in the eyes of others to the requisite degree,

As to whether the applicants' sons were humiliated or debased in their own eyes, the court observes first that a threat directed to an exceptionally insensitive person may have no significant effect on him but nevertheless be incontrovert-ibly degrading, and conversely, an exceptionally sensitive per-son might be deeply affected by a threat that could be

In any eyebt, in the case of these two children, the court, like the commission, notes that it has not been shown by means of the court's interpretation of medical certificates or discussed above must be borne otherwise that they suffered

4. The court accordingly concluded unanimously that no violation of article 3 had been Article 50 (damages for injured

question not to be ready for In accordance with the convention, judgment was given by a chamber composed of seven judges, namely Mr R. Ryssdal (Norwegian), president, Mr J. Cremona (Maitese), Mr Thor Vilhjalmsson (Icelandic), Mr L. Liesch (Luxemburger), Mr L. E. Pettiti (French), Sir Vlacent Evans (British) and Mr R. Mac-

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all Labour groups to end caning in their areas before such legislation is introduced. Research published last year by the National Children's

that, contrary to common belief, corporal punishment was used far less frequently in independent schools then in state schools. About 40 per cent of state school pupils in the survey attended schools

Science report

Two minds in a single brain

By the Staff of "Nature"

An ingenious adaptation of a children's guessing game has been used to show that in a sphir-brain panient a person with the main connexion between the right and letabelyes of the brain cut in a treatment for tpilepsy—the play against one another as though they were separate

But Professor Donald Mackay and his wife, Mrs Valerie Mackay, of Keele University, who devised the test, concluded that at the level at which "free will" might be said to act there is no evidence of "two wills" even in a person with separated hemispheres.

When the game was varied so that the halves might have been expected to be in conflict over how much one side of the brain should pay the other for winning, the two sides showed no desire to argue; at that level the two halves again acted as one whole.

In the guessing game the experimenters first showed the right hand side of the brain a number between 0 and 9 without letting the left side know the number. That was done by flashing

That was done by flashing the number to the left of where the patient is looking; because the right hand side of the brain controls and re-ceives sensations from only the left hand side of the body (and vice versa), the number is seen by only the normal person, of course, the information would be trans-ferred to the other hemis-phere through their interconnexions.)

was asked to guess the num-ber. That too is easy to do because the left hemisphere contains the speech centres and can make the guess orally. The right hand side can hear the guess, as both sides of the brain are connected to both ears, but it caunot say orally whether the guess is right or wrong because it has no control

Instead the experimenters arranged for it to reply by pointing the left hand (which it controls) to messages printed on a card. When the guess was too low in pointed to "go up", when the guess was too high, to "go down" and when the left hemisphere finally guessed the correct answer the hand pointed to "OK". The two hemispheres played the game happily, almost as though they were two separace people.

The Mackays then introduced a new element to the game to see if they could produce a conflict to indicate that the two sides really had separate "wills".

Now, each time the right hemisphere's hand pointed to one of the messages the left hemisphere's hand had so pay for the information by passing some of a limited supply of tokens over to the left hand. When the left hemisphere finally suessed correctly it received a fresh supply of tokens from the

experimenters.
As it happened, when the left hemisphere was arranged to pay as much as three tokens for each piece of information it rapidly became

bankrupt, leaving the right hemisphere the winner. The experimenters then asked the critical question: would the right bemisphere settle for only two tokens for answering each guess, there-by giving the left hemisphere a better chance. If the two halves of the brain were really like two people and had independent wills, then they should have been in conflict.

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The left hemisphere would be expected to demand no reduction in payment for its answers while the right would be expected to want to pay less for them. How ever, no such duality of will appeared; the two halves refused to bargain with each other. The right hemisphere indicated its willingness to accept only two tokens by

pointing.

At exactly the same moment the left hemisphere saving "Sore, agreed by saying "Sure, make it two tokens". It fol-lowed that up by addressing the experimenters with what must surely be the last word on the subject, "Are you guys trying to make two people out of me?" Source: Nature Vol 295, page

'THINK TANK' CHIEF TO LEAVE

Mr Robin Ibbs, the head of the Central Policy Review Staff, is leaving Whitehall to return to ICI as a director on April 1.

Mr Ibbs was seconded to the CPRS, the Government's "think tank", in 1979, Since then it has concentrated on industrial matters and report on nationalized industries is being considered by

Overseas selling prices

The decline of corporal punishment in schools immediate abolition of corporal about to ban, corporal punishment while awaiting ment are Labour-controlled information from the dioceses, The party's national executive

By Diana Geddes

Yesterday's European Court uling on corporal punishment in schools will accelerate a process already well under way. Less than three years ago corporal punishment was in use throughout the land. Today 25 education authorities have abolished it or intend to do so in the near future.

A further 18 are considering abolition, and the Government has advised that it should be phased out in Scotland by July, 1984. In other authorities an increasing number of head teachers and governing bodies are unilaterally deciding to

abandon its use; just how many will come to light for the oral punishment in their information pamphlets for parents. Any ban on caning applies only to county schools, however. Local authorities have no control over disciplinary procedures in voluntary-aided

Seven authorities have abolished corporal punishment: the Inner London Education Authority; the London boroughs of Newham Brent, Waltham Forest, Haringey, and Hounslow; and Derbyshire, Eight are due to do so later

this year: Avon, Lothian, Strathclyde, Manchester, Sheffield, Rochdale, Humberside and Doncaster. Ten are committed to abolition in the near future: Nottinghamshire, Cumbria, Northumberland, Fife, Leeds, Birmingham, Walsall, Sun-

towards abolition in those schools. The Church of England is garhering information from all dioceses on the use of corporal punishment and intends to issue

derland, Liverpool and the

Western Isles

a note of guidance later this The Bishop of Bristol, the Right Rev John Tinsley, the chairman of the C of E Board of Education, has said the

corporal punishment and ultimately abolish that practice". The London and Southwark diocesan boards of education have already written to all C of E schools in their areas saying that beating pupils is ineffective, damaging both psychologically and sometimes physically, a serious breach of human rights, and "incompatible with Christian educational ideals and aims." They have urged schools to phase out caning over a limited period ... The Roman Catholic Church

takes the view that corporal punishment is a question for individual schools, but nevertheless recommends that gov-erning bodies be "mindful of local pressures". The Catholic Schools Commissioners are due to discuss the matter next month with a view to issuing

more positive guidance.

Nearly all the local authoriboard was now advocating the ties that have banned, or are

committee last year called for ual governing bodies will, subject to the advice which will be party's manifesto that the offered in the note of guidance, wherever possible phase out would in the first session of partiament introduce legislation to abolish corporal The NEC has already urged

Bureau suggests that caning may already have been phased out in half of all independent schools, including boys' public schools such as Westminster. The research also suggested

where corporal punishment was said to be used regularly, compared with 12 per cent in private schools.

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SDP sets out policy for May elections

By Ian Bradley

Social Democrat councils elected next May would self council houses to tenants, support subsidized public transport and oppose the Government's scheme to provide assisted places in independent schools.

Those are among the main points in a framework programme prepared by the party's policy department. A document setting out the main principles on which SDP candidates will fight the elections has been circulated to area parties. to area parties.

It lists seven basic principles for policy formation; improving the quality of public services within the limits of available resources, breaking down social divisions and appropriate the social divisions and appropriate the social divisions and appropriate the second services. isions and promoting equal opportunities, handing power back to the people, creating an open multiracial society, giving special attention to disadvantaged groups, putting Britain back to work, protecting

and protecting the environment.

Although there are very few references in the document to the Liberal Party, there is no doubt that it borrows heavily on the community politics ideas of the SDP's alliance partner, and specifically on the work of the Association of Liberal of the Association of Liberal Councillors.
On education, it commits

SDP councils to firm support of the comprehensive principle and opposition to "place buying in independent schools as an ideological

On housing, it says that and society.

councillors should

SDP councillors should implement the existing legislation on council house sales and give a much higher priority to rehabilitation and maintenance of stock.

In the field of personal social services, increased use of volunteers is proposed. The document also calls for the encouragement of equal employment opportunities for ethnic minorities, but stops short of advocating positive discrimination.

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Many SDP area parties have already chosen their candidates for the May elections, which will cover all the London boroughs, metropolitan district authorities and most non-metropolitan districts.

districts.

Meanwhile, more than 200 students will gather in Birmingham tonight for the first conference of the Social Democratic Party Students (CONC)

The agenda for the conference shows that SDP students have the same concern as their elders with constitutional niceties. The draft constitution runs to seven closely typed pages and there are five pages of amendments.

Other motions suggest that the student wing is not going to embarrass its parent party. Those covering the subject of peace and disarmament, for example, make no reference to unilateralism, con-centrating on a call for a

multilateral approach. There are also motions on Poland, housing and youth

Interferon tests yield mixed results

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

bad news.

That is the general con-clusion to be drawn from a meeting yesterday at the Royal Society, in London, at which doctors and scientists reviewed the likely medical usefulness of that remark-

Trials by his group to years ago, when interferon was being described as a potential wonder drug of the 1980s, has been subsumed in the process of the state of t the scope of its clinical

application. But interferon is showing some reassuring results in treating certain types of tumours and other illnesses. Yet there are side-effects such as fever, malaise and weight loss, after some courses of therapy, and

Early results of trials with remissions have not occurred interferon as a treatment for cancer and for a wide range with categories of cancer for which laboratory tests have of virus-induced diseases are a mixture of good news and better response.

Giving a status report for the main teams carrying out clinical trials with interferon in cancer in Britain, Dr T. J. Priestman, of the Dudley Hospital, Birmingham, said work was at an early stage of development.

A young man with advanced Hodgkin's disease was failing to respond to cytotoxic drug therapy with cyclophophamide and bleo-mycin, which is the last line of treatment open to a doctor in those circumstances. The patient received 30-day courses of treatment.

No ban on

teacher

of Welsh

From Our Correspondent,

Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education, has

decided not to ban Mr Wayne Williams, a Welsh language activist, from teaching in

state schools.

Mr Williams, aged 28, of Tregaron, Dyfed, who is a former chairman of the Welsh Language Society,

served a prison sentence last year for conspiring to dam-

He is at present suspended

from his job as a teacher of Welsh in a mid-Wales school.

Welsh in a mid-Wales school.
Last month a High Court
judge granted a temporary
injunction to a group of
parents who want Mr Williams removed from Llanidloes High School, Powys.
The parents, led by Mr
Lawrence Smith, a retired
bank manager, who sought

has come from other parents,

who say he is an excellent teacher and has never taken

teachers banned from work-

ing in state schools because of political or criminal activi-

of political of criminal activities.

Sir Keith has warned Mr
Williams that if be is guilty
of further misconduct he is
unlikely to escape disqualification. Sir Keith says his
decision does not affect the
right of Powys County Council to end Mr Williams's
employment for misconduct.
Mr Williams said yesterday: "I am very pleased that I
am not being blacklisted.
This means that I could, in
theory, teach at any other
school except Llanidloes.

"I think the decision of the
minister removes the object-

politics into the classroom.

School pays vandalism informers

From Tim Jones, Cardift

Children in Gwent are being offered cash rewards by the county council for informing on school vandals. The payments are part of a campaign to combat attacks on schools, which last year cost more than £100,000 to

repair.
The children are given £10 if their information leads to a conviction and this year £80 has been paid out. Their names are kept secret to from Welsh television channel. them intimidation.

Mr Roger Evans, chairman of the council's building and development committee, said:
"There seems to be no
downward trend in the senseless, wanton damage or the cost of repairs and there seems no pattern to it

Notices are displayed at Notices are displayed at every school in the county informing children that they will be rewarded in confidence if they help to convict young wreckers. Books have been burnt, windows and light bulbs smashed and paint smeared over classrooms: smeared over classrooms.

Mr Evans appealed to

Mr Evans appealed to people living near schools to be "public spirited and courageous" enough to report any suspicious incidents to the police.

Det Chief Supt Gordon Jones, head of Gwent CID, said: "We are tremendously encouraged by the enthusiastic attitude of comprehensive school headmasters".

Mrs Jacqueline McLough

In Mrs Jacqueline McLoughlin, wife of the headmaster of St Saviour's Primary School, in Toxtieth, Liverpool, where in loxuein, Liverpool, where children aged nine and ten have terrorized staff, spoke yesterday of her husband's happy days at the school. She said lessons ran smoothly until after last summer's

Mr Colin McLaughlin, aged 53, who suffers from heart trouble, had opted for early retirement a "shattered retirement a "shattered man" she said. "Everybody "I think the decision of the minister removes the objection of some parents who say I should not be allowed to resume my job because no reasonable education authority would employ me.

"Presumably Sir Keith does not believe that is the is talking about the trouble in the past few weeks, but all the good things about the

school have been ignored. "My husband had 32 happy years there and has no regrets. It is only since the riots that all this has hap pened", she said.

Fix end to Concorde cash, MPs urge

By Michael Baily,

The Government should fix a date to end support for Concorde, at present about £20m a year, MPs of the allparty Commons Trade and Industry Committee said

yesterday.

Meanwhile they want more determined action by the Government to balance British and French contributions to the aircraft. The Department of Industry and Trade estimated last year that between 1976 and 1983 Britain's support costs would be £238m, or 58.6 per cent, while those of France would be £176.6m or 41.4 per cent, although the treaty required

equal cost-sharing.
The committee while wel-coming reduced costs for Concorde announced by the department in December, say "much more effort still needs to be made to ensure

needs to be made to ensure that the British taxpayer does not have to provide more money; a firmer hand is required."

They call for a new Concorde balance sheet to be drawn up for both the British and French parliaments, showing "with the same standard of accuracy as would be required under the Companies Act when drawing Companies Act when drawing up a prospectus inviting subscriptions from the pub-lic" the balance of advantage between cancellation or continuation on the earliest date recognized as practicable for

cancellation.

If, as seems likely, such figures indicate cancellation, "a terminal date for support from public funds should be fixed and announced". The committee say: "We

are disturbed at the depart-ment's apparent satisfaction both, with their past and current performance on Concorde cost forecasts". Nevertheless it seems probable that the project, which they concluded last year "has acquired a life of its own and is out of control", will continue to be so.

The two responsible minis-

ters, Mr Norman Lamont, Secretary of State for Industry, and France's M Fiterman, are to meet before Easter to consider the matter. But one of the options set out after last summer's Thatcher-Mitterrand summit meanly cancellation — has mysteriously disappeared from the agenda, apparently on the insistence of the

rench.
That leaves only "phased un-down", or "indefinite run-down", or "indefinite continuation", whatever the MPs may say.

CARAVAN JOBS FOR HILL FARMS By Hugh Clayton --

Tourst caravans should be used to bring jobs to remote upland beauty spots, the National Union of Agricultural and Allied Workers said yesterday. It proposed in elect Committee on Agriculture that farms in the less frequented scenic areas out-side national parks should be given planning permission for up to five caravans each. The union also wanted disused barns to be used for light industry and more forests planted on remote

hillsides.



Members of PEN, the international association of writers, demonstrating outside the Polish Embassy in London yesterday. They delivered a petition demanding the release of writers imprisoned in Poland. (Left to right): Sir Victor Pritchett, Lady Antonia Pinter, Sir Angus Wilson, Mr Francis King, Mr Harold Pinter and

Wormwood Scrubs run by the staff for months, MP says

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Wormwood Scrubs prison, not staying in the country in London, was not controlled by the Prison Departing their own, suffered from government education cuts, officers for months after Later that year Mrs Christian. their clash with prisoners time Bell won a two-year there in 1979, Mr Robert battle to teach sewing in Kilroy-Silk, chairman of the Armley men's prison, Leeds, Parliamentary All-Penal after complaining to an Affairs Group, said yester-industrial tribunal of sex day. discrimination.

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He described as "extraordi- boycotted the workshop nary" the way the Prison where she was to work and Officers' Association was the POA said they were allowed to go on a "long act afraid for her safety. An of vengeance" after officers official spoke of being were sent in to quell a shocked when a woman was protest in D wing.

But the chairman of the association, Mr Colin Steel, Said the officers at Worm- association's deputy general

At Wormwood Scrubs there was minimal damage to Scrubs grounds". there was minimal damage to buildings, the injuries to telephones had also been prisoners and officers were superficial, and the officers' actions afterwards were aimed at containment until control was properly reestab

ished.

With that in mind, he said, introduce a second one.

Albahy Prison, on the Isle of Wight, was on an earlier occasion locked up for six occasion locked up for six weeks after trouble there.

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orticers culminated in a national industrial dispute in 1979, which resulted in prisoners being held in police cells and other emergence. accommodation.

much power the local branches of the POA have. And in Pucklechurch, a Bristol remand centre, officers refused to show round a member of the Board of Visitors, Mr Rodney Morgan, though he and other members are appointed as public bers are appointed as public prisoners that security is watchdogs.

He accused the association

The use of psychologists and of probation officers as welfare officers has made prison officers fearful that

workshop

association, Mr Colin Steel, said the officers at Worm-association's deputy general wood Scrubs deserved praise, secretary, explainded why not blame, for the way they that his association was prevented a protest from against allowing abolition of developing into a riot of the censorship, ried out in open kind that devastated Hull, prisons, in the next lowest another top security prison, security garde of prison, in 1976.

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Plans to introduce pay telephones had also been curtailed, he said. The POA

As at Wormwood Scrubs, the dispute showed how much power the local branch

swung away dramatically fron prison officers in the He accused the association of a "gross abuse of power". It is association in turn accused him of undermining discipline.

In 1980 prison officers at Ashford Remand Centre banned education classes for people held pending deportation.

The association in turn have a last ten years, partly through the influence of the European Court. That has happened at a time when the prison population has become overcrowded and volatile through the abolition of the areine, more violent crime. hanging, more violent crime
An official of the local and the inability of the health branch said members did not service, as a result of open see; why free education door policy, to house some of should be provided for people the unstable in hospitals.

prison officers fearful that their job will be reduced to that of a turnkey.

At the same time the old heirarchical disripline has been undermined as the supply of recruits from the Services has dried up, to be replaced by more officers with industrial experience, who respond as trade unionists.

There has been growing pressure within the Prison Department to turn governors into "managers" and at one stage a plan was being discussed to do away with the jobs of the tribal elders of

jobs of the tribal elders of the service, the top Chief Officers the equivalent of regimental sergeant-majors.

Mr Brendan O'Friel, chairman of the governors' branch of the Society of Civil and Public Servants, said that the theme running through the Wormwood Scrubs report was the difficulty of equating two approaches to staff relations: one of consultation, the other of giving orders.

At some stage orders had to be given and obeyed. "We are in the middle because we don't know what the bound-

aries are".

Mr Kilroy-Silk said: "The POA could be a most positive and powerful force for reform of the prison system. If they chose to use their power they chose to use their power constructively they could provide an environment more stimulating and satisfying with a well defined professional role; whereas at the made him feel a "traitor" to wins awar with a well defined professional role; whereas at the made him feel a "traitor" to wins awar with a well defined professional role; whereas at the made him feel a "traitor" to wins awar with a well defined professional role; whereas at the game. He said the articles made him feel a "traitor" to wins awar wins awar with a well defined professional role; whereas at the game. He said the articles made him feel a "traitor" to wins awar with a well defined professional role; whereas at the said the articles made him feel a "traitor" to wins till plays for his home town of Bridgend, claimed the "shamateurism" slur could have forced him out of the game. He said the articles made him feel a "traitor" to wins till plays for his home town of Bridgend, claimed the "shamateurism" slur could have forced him out of the game. He said the articles made him feel a "traitor" to wins awar with a well defined professional role; whereas at the game are said the articles made him feel a "traitor" to wins awar with a well defined professional role; whereas at the game are said the articles made him feel a "traitor" to wins awar with a well defined professional role; whereas at the game are said the articles made him feel a "traitor" to wins a well defined professional role; whereas at the game are said the articles made him feel a "traitor" to wins a well defined professional role; whereas at the game are said the articles made him feel a "traitor" to wins a well defined professional role; whereas at the game are said the articles whereas a well defined professional role; whereas at the game are said the articles whereas a well defined professional role; whereas at the game are said the articles whereas a well defined professional role; whereas are said the game are said the articles whereas a well defined professional role; whereas

Young are 'aged' to make room

Young offenders are being reclassified as adults and removed to adult penal establishments in order to relieve overcrowding in juvenile establishments, Mr Kilroy-Silk said yesterday (Francis Gibb writes).

He told other MPs examining the Criminal Justice Bill

in committee that the Magistrate's Association had expressed concern that the law which allowed juveniles to be reclassified as adults if they were disruptive was being misused.

navigation rules.

That is because they are classed as aircraft and are therefore exempt from the Control of Pollution Act, 1974. Yet it is precisely their dissimilarity from private light aircraft that appeals to enthusiasts and annoys objectors

jectors.

Microlights can be taken to pieces, folded away on a roofrack or trailer, assembled in less than half an hour and launched from a

hour and launched from a cricket pitch. They are slower than light aircraft, averaging 35-55mph, compared with 100-200mph, and fly at much lower altitudes, about 1,000 ft against 4,000 ft.

The Civil Aviation Authority plans to enforce microlisht.

light pilot training pro-cedures from next Septemb

£20,000 libel award to rugby man

Mr J. P. R. Williams was awarded £20,000 libel damag-es today over newspaper articles which branded him a "shamateur" in Welsh rugby. A High Court jury in London took four and a half London took four and a half hours to decide that Wales's most-capped full back had been libelled in two articles in The Daily Telegraph alleging that he infringed his amateur status by accepting money for his autobiography in 1979.

Afterwards We Williams

in 1979.

Afterwards Mr Williams, said he was thrilled and relieved. "it was the worst experience of my life—far worse than playing Rugby. "It was a victory for for me and every rugby player in the land", he said.

Mr. Williams

The player, who was made M. B. E. for services to rugby, sued The Daily Telegraph, Mr William Deedes, its editor and John Reason, his former rugby correspondent, over the articles in February and March, 1979.

Libel was denied. The defendants pleaded that the articles were true and justified.

Mr Williams aged 32, an orthopaedic surgeon, of Llansannor, South Glamorgan, who still plays for his home town of Bridgend, claimed the "shamateurism" slur could have forced him out of the game He send the articles. He told Mr Justice Russell

that £35,000 made from the book, — J. P. R. — an Autobiography, Was used to set up a sports clinic in Bridgend. Under Rugby Union rules a player can ramain an ama-teur only if gives away any money he earns from his position in the game.

The Telegraph claimed that Mr Williams, who was of "shamteurism" in a Welsh Rugby Union inquiry, made up his mind to give the money to charity only after appeared. Summing-up, the judge said there was nothing in the amateur rules requiring a player to make public his ultimate intentions when beginning such a venture. begining such a venture.

NEWS IN SUMMARY

Boy drowns after

night out

Simon Hedges, aged 15, drowned early today after he and a friend had tried to row across Portsmouth harbour having missed the last ferry from Gosport. He was washed out to sea after their dinghy overturned. Kevin Crillin, aged 18, managed 10 swim to the shore.

The boys had been to visit their girl friends, Mrs Jean Hedges, of Hampage Green, Warren Park, near Portsmouth, said. Mrs Pamela Crellin said: "They were both wearing heavy clothes. Kevin tried to pull Simon out of the water but could not manage it".

Mrs Hedges said: "We just do not believe Simon could have drowned. We are hoping he got ashore and that he is too frightened to come home".

Police called off their

search for the boy after 10 hours. A damaged rowing boat was found on the beach at Eastney, a mile from the harbour entrance. Last night Kevin Crellin, of Winchfield Crescent, Leigh Park, near Portsmouth, was being treated for exposure.

Ballet official on

forgery charge
Anthony Barlow, aged 40, a former press officer for the London Festival Ballet Trust, at Horseferry Road Court, London, yesterday was sent for trial at the Inner London Crown Court on 30 charges of procuring and forging the company's cheques, with a total value of about £5,000.

Mr Barlow, of Rosenau Mr Barlow, of Rosenau Road, Battersea, who started working for the company in 1974, was ordered to surrender his passport to police and iand", he said.

Mr Williams was given judgment with costs and the judge granted a 28-day stay of execution pending consideration of an appeal.

The player, who was ordered to surrender his passport to police and provide two surges relate to dates between June, 1979, and February, 1981.

Palace praver

One of the Queen's stewards held regular prayer meetings in Buckingham Palace and in the royal yacht Britannia, Mr Paul Kidd claims in a magazine article. He says he also preached to Government ministers who visited the palace.

Mr Kidd, aged 28, now works as an operating theatre technician in the

theatre technician in the

The tuck shop at Hereford Cathedral School has won a conservation award after boys and masters helped in a £14,000 restoration project for the sixteenth-century building, using pews and a staircase from the cathedral.

Vicar is accused

The Rev William Cecil Heatley, aged 42, of Clyde Road, Sanderstead, south London, was remanded on bail by Croydon magistrates yesterday accused of unlawfully and maliciously wounding Mr John Mallender on January 30. Mr Heatley is vicar of St Anthony's Church, Sanderstead.

Conflict in the air

Rise of the flying motor cycle

By David Nicholson-Lord Objections are growing to noisy breed of small manned aircraft, known collectively as microlights and described by their opponents as "flying motor cycles".

Despite increasing popularity, microlights are subject no adequate redress.

bank manager, who sought the injunction, say Mr Wil-liams is not fit to teach because of his prison record. But strong support for him has come from other record. quietened their craft and say they are sensitive to alle-gations of noise nuisance, but microlights' arrival in Britain has exposed what many council environmental health officers believe is a loophole in the noise control Mr Williams, who is mar-ried, with a baby daughter, learnt yesterday that Sir Keith had decided after careful consideration not to put his name on List 99, of

have them banned, has de-scribed them as "uncontrolled and uncontrollable". Microlights are often little

aircraft. Membership of the

Daring young man: The flying machine that has swept

into controversy

By Ronald Faux

also

brought complaints, centring charge c

Glider pilots dispute a hanging matter

drew their permits. In de-fiance, the hang gliders continued to take off until

The case was lost because the magistrates considered the by-law ambiguous and unreasonably partial to the London Gliding Club, and because a club member sat-



For nearly 3 years this large house in Woking has been

run as a residential home for active retired people. So successful has it been that Help the Aged have decided to extend the property within its 6 acres of gardens, so that many other elderly people can be accommodated.

Work is now under way to build 20 1/2-bedroom flats and 12 large bedsitting units - each with its own bathroom, toilet and kitchen facilities and, thinking ahead, Help the Aged plan to add extra care facilities in the future.

The superb generosity of the donor of this house and the magnificent help of all our supporters has helped to produce an establishment in which generations of elderly people will live and enjoy.

Many more such houses are needed throughout the country so please ask us about our Gifted Houses scheine. We also need funds to equip and maintain these properties so that elderly people in need can live the rest of their lives with care and dignity.

HELP YOURSELF BY GIVING TO OTHERS

Through Heip the Aged's Gifted House Scheme owners who give their homes to the Charity will be provided with private accommodation, free of all rates, rent, and maintenance bills for the rest of their lives. Please send for details.

Help the Aged

Room T6C, 32 Dover Street, London,

to no statutory airworthiness or pilot training controls. Critics say they are also the source of growing noise pollution for which there is Enthusiasts claim to have

The Noise Abatement Society, which is seeking to

more than powered hang-gliders, offering the delights of flying at a fraction of the cost of a normal light

A wrangle about the airspace over Dunstable Down
has broken out between hang
gliders and the pilots of
traditional gliders. The London Gliding Club, which has
used the thermal air currents
over Totternhoe, Bedfordshire, for fifty years, is
concerned about the "probability" of a fatal collision
involving members of the
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Association has risen fivefold in a year and there are
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in British.

British Microlight Aircraft ledged by Mr Ronald Bott,
the association secretary, to
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have 250-450cc two-stroke
engines, lending credence to Popularity has

engines, lending credence to the "flying motor cycle"

small number of LGC mem-bers who are causing the trouble", a hang glider pilot owned by Bedfordshire County Council and offers some of the best gliding conditions within easy reach

of London When Mr Christopher Elli-

three pilots were prosecuted The ridge in dispute is at Dunstable magistrates' wined by Bedfordshire court under the by-law.

son, a hang glider pilot, reported a glider pilot for dangerous flying, both the chub and the council with-

Tebbit rejects protest by PARLIAMENT February 25 1982

youth training lobby Amersham sale: easy to be wise

He rejected demands contained in a declaration passed at a packed rally in the Festival Hall, which was addressed by Mr Wedgwood addressed by Mr Wedgwood bit of course the people who had a packed rally in the Commons. "I did not think they were a bad lot of kids, but of course the people who

Inquiry may

From Jonathan Wills Edinburgh

In an attempt to defuse

home rule sentiment in the Shetland Islands the government is to set up a committee of inquiry into Island councils in Scotland. The committee will examine the record of local authorities in

the Western Isles, Orkney and Shetland since the pass-

ing of the Local Government (Scotand) Act in 1973 and will

recommend changes in the

Mr George Younger, the Secretary of State for Scot-land, has been lobbied repeat-edly by the Shetland Islands

council for a commission to

inquire into the consti-tutional status of Shetland.

Movement party, which wants limited law-making and tax-gathering powers for a local Shetland assembly.

The Shetland Movement

now the largest political party in the islands, does not

want complete separation from the rest of the United

Kingdom but has 12 of the 25

seats on the Shetland Islands council and has been vocifer-

ous in its demands for a full-scale commission of inquiry. Mr Younger's committee is less than the movement asked for but is likely to satisfy most Shetlanders.

The inclusion in the terms

of reference of the Western

Isles and Orkney where home rule feeling is far less pronounced, will make a

special constitutional deal for Shetland less likely, but ministers are anxious to

avoid any political trouble in

Britain's main oil-producing province. The Shetland Move-

The three island councils

eye in the swinging 1960s. There were disputes over how, whether and when they

should be built, just as now Invincible berself is awash

with arguments over her disposal.

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shape had been dashed for all time. Their original desig-nation, "through-deck cruis-

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avoid giving the correct impression that the naval staff were trying to build small carriers on the siy,

future looking reasonably assured, the title switched to

"anti-submarine carriers", which more accurately de-

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Shetland

A mass lobby of Parliament yesterday by about 3,000 to start next year. It called ing school two years ago, young people protesting at the Government's youth training policies was given short shrift by Mr Norman Tebbit, Sectetary of State for Employment Tebbit casks to six of the control of Mr Tebbit spoke to six of

Benn, and stepped up his are manipulating them are Benn, and stepped up its are manipulating them are accusation against Mr Benn entirely politically motivated, he said afterwards, among the young jobless. "This sort of lobby is a set

among the young jobless.

"I just hope he is not going to do for these youngsters what he has done for the Labour Party — that is, completely spoil their chances for the future", Mr Tebbit declared.

The demonstration, organized by Labour Party Young Socialists and the Youth Opportunities Programme Trainees' Union Rights

"This sort of lobby is a set up by people who very skilfully make demands they know no reasonable person can agree to".

Mr Peter Gayle aged 19, of Peckham, London, said after the meeting: "I do not think Tebbit wanted to know. I do not think he cares." Mr Laurence Coates, the Young Socialist representative on the Labour Party's National Opportunities Programme Socialist representative on the Trainees' Union Rights Labour Party's National Campaign, accused Mr Tebbit Executive Committee, said: of adopting training schemes "Tebbit's sympathy was just trebit's sympathy was just treets and to cook the crocodile tears. The youth of this country have got to fight unemployment figures".

The declaration attacked not going to get anything

Rippon's Budget plea

☐ Lower interest rates and selective public investment were put forward yesterday as Budget priorities By Mr Geoffrey Rippon, the former Conservative Cabinet minister (our Political Editor

prolonged inflation, he told a meeting of the Greater Lon-don Tory Reform Group. Britain should set its own rates, regardless of what

happened in the United Mr Rippon said it was imperative to redeploy public expenditure, say, on roads

Raising the case of Amersham kaising the case of American international, shares of which were put on the market by the Government, Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition, said during questions in the Commons to the Prime Minister that it was a scandal that state assets should be put on the market in this manner and sold at knock-down prices. He asked who had advised

Mr Foot: Is not this something similar, although not so scandal-ous, to what happened in the case of Cable and Wireless. If the

Mrs Thatcher: One takes the

I emphasize that we are anxious that employees should have the chance to purchase shares. Small investors should have a chance to purchase shares. By this mentod they can, by the tender method they

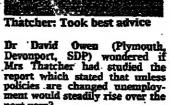
Mr Foot: Some of her advisers who gave wrong advice on this subject have made at least a milion pounds out of it. (Lab cheers and Conservative pro-

Mrs Thatcher: I hope that Mr

Minister had said. He added that Mr Foot had opportunities to arrange a debate.

A written Parliamentary answer yesterday pointed out that the offer for sale of the company was 24.6 times subscribed by applications from company employees and the public. I When Mrs Thatcher was challenged at question time about a National Institute report which predicted increased unemploy-ment, she replied that the report also forecasted recovery and





Since the Prime Minister (he added) commented on the budget outside the House, she should say, because there has been a fall-off in oil revenue, whether she is including any stimulus to demand and output in the budget. Mrs Thatcher: With regard to budget details, he will have to wait. He will not have long. On the various economic forecasts, there are a number. The Liverpool forecast is optimistic; so is the Cambridge one. The National Institute forecast foresees recovery this year and falling inflation.

Mr. David Winnick (Walsali North, Lab): Her speech to the North, Lab): Her speech to the engineering employers regarding the budget caused much justified alarm that there would be no change in the present disasterous economic policies.

In May 1979, West Midlands unemployment was 5 per cent. How does she explain the tragedy

and devastation caused through her economic policies?

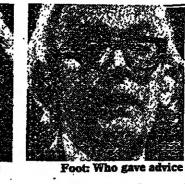
Judge unwise

The decision by a judge in the Irish Republic to give a prisoner a second chance by sending him to the United Kingdom had not

been wise, Mr Prior, Secretary of Northern Ireland, said.

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manage to get orders and improve export performance.

HMS Invincible

had been able to place orders worth £410m with British Shipbuilders for new warships, the Prime Minister said, when she was questioned about the sale of

Mr Anthony Buck (Colchester, C) said: Mrs Thatcher should express the concern we all feel she must share with Mrs about the Government finding it necessary to sell one of the most powerful ships in the Royal Navy. The only agreeable feature about it is that it should go to such a firm, staunch Commonwealth ally as Australia.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher: I know of his concern. We always wish to have more defence ships and equipment than we are able to afford.

Mr Nott amounced the decision that we could only keep two of these ships. Therefore we had to decide to try to sell the third to a very close and staunch ally. Because of that decision, Mr Nott has been able to place far more ship orders than he would otherwise he able to de

otherwise be able to do. Mrs Thatcher: A number of reasons. There has been considerable overmanning in industry. A great deal of unemployment was caused by the world recession and there are 10m unemployed throughout Europe. Due to Government policies TUC's decision to expel any management has been given the responsibility and authority to otherwise de able to do.

It was appalling and dogmatic to refuse state aid knowing full well that it would be a way of reaching a decision democratically, Mrs Thatcher said when she that the said was asked by Mr Peter Emery (Honiton, C) to deplore the TUC's decision to expel any organization that used state aid to hold secret ballots.

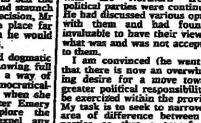
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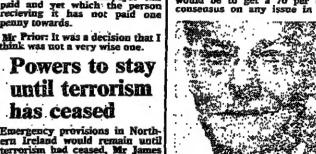
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Sir William Clark (Croydon, South, C): it is not good enough for judges in the Irish Republic to give a prisoner another chance by sending him to the United Kingdom. It is completely unfair on the taxpayers of this country that we should take in citizens of other countries so that they can enjoy the welfare benefits for which the British taxpayer has paid and yet which the person recieving it has not paid one penny towards. Mr James McCusker (Armagh, Off UU): Bearing in mind what he has said about a weighted majority, does he see that in the context of a percentage of the total membership of any such assembly, or a percentage of



weighted majority. I have taken note of his comments on turning it round the other way, but it is to early to draw any definite conclusions from the talks I have had. Mr Anthony Marlow (Northampton, North,C) said during later exchanges: If the Secretary of State and the Government

minority men of violence who believe they are embarking on a war of attrition and one last kick and some British government will concede to them unification with the Irish Republic. Will be state that he wishes Northern Ireland to remain in the perpetuity part of the UK?

Havers) is preparing the guid-Lord Elwyn-Jones for the Oppo-sition: is this an appropriate moment to look again at the charity law because of the confusion and difficulty which has arisen?

Lord Belstead: No.

Transfer of power must be effective

DEVOLUTION

serious economic situation, Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, said during a question on his proposals for a devolved government in the

Mr Prior explained that his talks with the Northern Ireland political parties were continuing. He had discussed various options what was and was not acceptable

My task is to seek to narrow the area of difference between the parties so that a transfer of power is not only desirable but effective. In due course I hope to bring firm proposals before the House.



turning into permanent ones (he said).

Would be not set up an inquiry to look at ways to which get an agreeme

A Government minister rejected a call by Lady Ewart-Biggs (Lab) for new legislation on disaster funds despite the problems which followed the Penlee lifeboat tragedy. But he added that guidance was being prepared to help in the establishment of

this tragic case has shown is that this tragic case has shown is that the organizers of disaster appeals need to be fully aware of the financial and legal consequences to the beneficiaries of establish-ing either charitable or private trusts, and the Government is



charitable associations of resources which might well have gone to them. Perhaps the time has come to think about a national fund operated by a disaster committee.

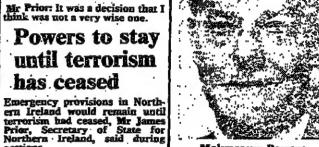
The return of political responsi-bility to Northern Ireland could do more than anything to help with both security and the

James Molyneaux (South Antrim), leader of the official Ulster Unionists, that a devolved Government would have to have real power from day one if disaster was to be avoided.

A nowarless assembly (to said)

country.

particular issue? Considering how difficult it would be to get a 70 per cent consensus on any issue in this



to look at ways in which legislation can be phased out? Mr Prior: These are matters that will be considered ahead of the next renewal of the Act, but violence and the capacity for it is sufficiently high to require such measures still to deal with it. Mr Prior: These are matters I am considering. One of the matters is the question of the

of State and the Government were to say that they wanted Northern Ireland to stay part of the United Kingdom in perpetuity, this would be good news for the law-abiding Unionist majority, Protestant and Catholic, and bad news for the HOUSE OF LORDS

Lord Belstead, Under Secretary of State, Home Office, said: The Government does not think new legislation is necessary. What

preparing suitable guidance for the legal profession, banks and other bodies. The Charity Commissioners are Northern I reland in remaining part of the UK. Third, we have to recognize that there is a problem of identity for parts of the minority community. always prepared to give advice to appeals organizations about establishment of charitable trusts



as a matter or urgency.

Lord Belstead: A general fund could well inhibit the generous public response to locally-initiated appeals. The machinery for charitable giving is suitable if it is understood. This is why the Attorney General (Sir Michael

Mr Andrew Bennett (Stockport from day one North, Lab) had asked for an inquiry into the operation of the Northen Feland (Emergency Provisions) Act. There is always a danger of temporary procisions House or in any other elected assembly, is he not in danger of putting an insurmountable barrier before this elected assembly in Northern Ireland? It would be better to put the onus on the wreckers who would not want to make progress in an assembly, to put their troops into the lobby against the pressures of those who might be trying to

Molyneaux: Powers

Mr Prior: I would like to say three things on what is a difficult and delicate subject. First, I believe that consent and self-determination is the important factor.

Second, we should seek to show that there are great advantages for all the people of

remain part of the UK. Riot control weapons

Mr Whitelaw said the storage of

A powerless assembly (he said) would create and generate friction between the political parties in Northern Ireland and inflict further damage on the

day one, although the powers should be available for transfer from day one, provided the circumstances which the Government considered necessary were met. These were all matters for further discussion.

that there is now an overwhelm-ing desire for a move towards greater political responsibility to be exercised within the province.

assembly, or a percentage of those who would vote on any

If we can recognize that problem of identity sensibly, I believe that all the people of Northern Ireland would wish to

types were need by polle forces in England and Wales for antirict purposes, Elr William Whitelaw, Home Secretary, stated lin a
written reply to a series of
questions by Mr Reginald Freeson (Brent, East, Lab).

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face questions on her stage debut

Miss Taylor v the press

Mrs John Warner, for-much thinner than of late merly Miss Elizabeth Taylor, from the front but less so Mrs Conrad Hilton, Mrs from the side, was supposed Michael Wilding, Mrs Mike to be telling the world about Todd, Mrss Eddie Fisher, her British stage debut at the Mrs Richard Burton (twice), Victoria Palace on March 5 as pouted an ample and elisten, the vinerish Regina Giddens Michael Wilding, Mrs Mike to be telling the world about Todd, Mrss Eddie Fisher, her British stage debut at the Mrs Richard Burton (twice), pouted an ample and glistening lower lip.

The blue saucer eyes, the Little Foxes, a topic which was quickly disposed across the boiling sea of pressmen, twin gunsights seeking the enemy who had fired the question whether she would be inviting Mr.

Mrs Conrad Hilton, Mrs Mike to be telling the world about the Mrs Richard Burton (twice), ber British stage debut at the thought the point home to those who make financial contributions to terrorists' front organizations. Mr Alton: Has be had a chance to consider the revelations made in the Granada Television World in Action programme last Monday, and will he in particular take this opportunity of urging people in the United States to make available to us waspons for personal protection, but I would stress that the Chief Constable of the Royal Ulster security situation.

anyone personally at this press conference", Miss Is the character like you? "I hope not. She is avaricious ene of the those crocodile smiles that are all teeth and places." no joke. Miss Taylor, dressed in ment intends to run candidates in the council elections in the council elections a gold anchor chain round a gold anchor chain round her neck, sat in the crush bar

combine powers normally divided beween district and of the London rangum as though posing for a choc-olate box, framed by a gold and white proscenium arch and protected from the waist mobbed? "No, it was terrify-ing at Heathrow." Miss in Scotland. Shetland has pioneered the use of a littledown by a parapet of carknown part of the 1973 Act to finance small industries out

Burton to see her new play (Alan Hamilton writes).

"We are not talking about

By Henry Stanhope, Defence Correspondent Storms of one kind or another have blown around HMS Invincible and her sister ships since they were three gleams in an admiral's

when it became clear to the Royal Navy that its hopes of replacing the late 43,000-ton carrier Ark Royal with a class of similar size and has been improved by use of is due to be commissioned the ski-jump, a take-off ramp late next year is costing which is another example of about £200m and the new Ark British ingenuity.

With their advanced communications gear, the three were designed to serve as More recently, with their flagships of anti-submarine task forces containing a

Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, firmly believes that no British Government today would

and sewers, to stimulate an investment-led recovery. could not be a big increase in borrowing and a significant reduction in interest rates, and that severely limited the



of the London Palladium as

blend of destroyer/frigates, submarines and supply ves-

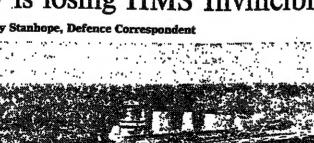
Royal, due in 1985, £220m.

Similar criticism is heard

He accepted that there The declaration attacked not going to get anything the inadequacies of YOPs and from the likes of Tebbit."

Mr. Mark Spence, aged 19 scope for tax reductions.

What made you want to go on stage? "The timing was right. My husband was a new senator and very busy, and I wanted something to do myself." Do you still enjoy being



sels. The plan was to have two navies on an excercise last such they have attracted such task forces in operation considerable naval interest at any one time, patrolling the North Atlantic sea lanes, while the third was in port year, there is a suspicion that they really owe their exist-ence to the Navy's obsession Displacing 19,000 tons while the third was in port when fully loaded, the Invincible is armed with the Sea But the usual delays meant with big ships.

ships consumes a great deal of fuel and needs a thousand sailors who are nowadays quite expensive. However good they may be, and the Invincible impressed Allied

launch a premium potato cam-paign for the 1982 potato crop. Mr Peter Walker, announcing from Australia, where some government backbenchers

of Cable and Wireless. If the defence of the situation is that it is easy to view this in retrospect, what is the Prime Minister going to do if she decides to proceed with the sale of the British National Oil Corporation? Is the advice going to come from the same quarter?

giving funds to Noraid on the basis that much of this money is being used for arms sauggling, and that is being used for the murder of innocent people in Northern Ireland? Mr Patten: I am aware of that

An appeal to Americans to realize what they were doing when they gave money to Noraid was made by Mr John Patten, Under Secretary of State for Northern Ireland. They should reflect on the distress caused to the victims in Northern Ireland and recognize that Noraid might be better called Terror Aid or Murder Aid, he said.

He told Mr David Alton Murder Aid.

Mr Robert Atkins (Preston, North, C): it is slightly ironic that it is possible for the United States to supply this country with Trident, but yet they will not allow the sale of smaller arms and any guns for use by the RUC to compat terrorism.

to combat terrorism.

All not gloom in Principality chairman of the Welsh Water Authority who would join the board on April 1 and take over on June 1. He was Mr John Jones, chosen from 80 applicants, who was at present seconded to the Welsh Office by his employers Anglesey Aluminium, as industrial director. The names of the majority of the new board would be announced within the next few weeks.

be announced within the next few weeks.

He had agreed with the Manppwer Services Commission that they should launch an enterprise allowance scheme in Wales to help people who wanted to set up businesses. The area chosen was Deeside in north-east Wales. Wales.

A figure of £500,000 had been earmarked for the scheme which it was hoped would be running in April. The pilot scheme would operate for three years. Mr Alec Jones, chief Opposition spokesman on Wales (Rhondda, Lab), said that St David would turn in his grave if he could see the havoc which the Government had wreaked all over Wales in the short period for which it had

significant group of weish people had escaped from the Government's incompetent administration.

Ministers and their sycophantic backbenchers had managed to spread discontent, distress and disaster from one end of Wales to the other.

The Tory Party was today, as it was in his youth, the party of unemployment in Wales. Under the Secretary of State's stewardship unemployment had increased by 118.5 per cent — one in six of the work force. With unemployment standing at 16.1 per cent Wales had the unenviable distinction of having a higher percentage of people unemployed than Scotland or any region of England.

Government economic policies would leave a scar on society which would take many years to

been responsible.

No part of Wales and no significant group of Welsh people had escaped from the Government's incompetent administ-

Next week's business The main business in the

The main business in the House of Commons next week will be: Monday: Travel Concessions (London) Bill, remaining stages. Northern Ireland Orders.

Tuesday: Debates on Opposition motion on gas prices and on Opposition motion on the situation in central America.

Wednesday: Further progress on the committee stage of the Canada Bill.

Canada Bill.
Thursday: Coal Industry Bill,
remaining stages.
Friday: Private members' motion

Constabulary is perfectly satis-fied with the equipment which his men carry at the moment.

Mr Patten: I am aware of that programme. A New York district court has ruled that the so-called Noraid organization is linked directly to the Provisional IRA and should be registered as such. I would like to take this opportunity of appealing to everyone in the United States who is tempted to give financial or other aid to this organization to realize what they are doing and perhaps to take the opportunity of reflecting on what distress has been caused to the victims of those people who have suffered from the guns purchased with that money, and to recognize that Noraid might be better called Terror Aid or Murder Aid.

Mr Robert Atklus (Preston,

Mr Jimes Kilfelder, (Down, North UU) stated: When the next Prime Minister of the Irish Free State is known — and it looks as it will be Mr. Hanghey whose sympathy for the IRA is well known — will be be told bluntly knows — will be be told bluntly
that we oppose the way the
courts send Eire citizens, who
are thieves, to the United
Kingdom, but refuse to extradite
Provisional IRA terrorists who
are responsible for atrocities
committed in the United Kingdom, including murder and
mutilation?

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Mr Geraint Morgan (Denbeigh, C) said he could only describe as irresponsible the final vote of the Welsh counties declaring the welsh counties declaring the

Principality to be a nuclear-free

zone. He could not think that Welsh

opinion was basically different on this issue from that of Britain as a whole and it was apparent from poll after poll that the British as a whole wished by a large majority to remain effective members of Nato and to retain the nuclear deterrrent as the surest way of maintaining the Mr. Ifor Davies (Gower, Lab) said there could be little argument that cuts in public spending had contributed to the recession. Wales in particular had been hit hard. With two-thirds of Welsh jobs dependent upon public hard. With two-thirds of Welsh jobs dependent upon public expenditure directly or indirectly the cuts had been a savage blow.

The Government's cuts in education, which were a threaat to the long-term future of Britain, meant losses of facilities which would never be regained.

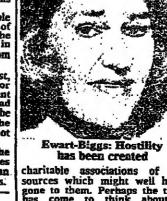
highest priority in Government expenditure.

The cuts had had a grievous effect upon the University of Wales and its students whose numbers had been reduced. There was a need for more students and more research, not less. In the field of fundamental research, with isolated exceptions, it was the universities which were the only institutions able to provide the role.

In the interests of the people of Wales in particular, he urged the Government to think again in order to save the economy from its desperate state. its desperate state.

Sir Anthony Meyer (Flint, West, C) said the EEC was blamed for almost everything that went wrong — and many things had gone wrong — but it would be





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of State for Deliver North.

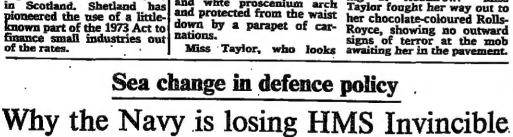
A variety of riot control equipment had been acquired by police forces since July 1981.

This included helmets, shields, fireproof overalls and other enoporting equipment. Such



Miss Taylor arriving at the Palladium yesterday to

did it in America for nearly a she would be inviting Mr year, but the sets and the blocking are completely dif-ferent; it's like a whole new



HMS Invincible, sold to the Australian Navy for

Moreover, each of the

State help for potato board The Minister of Agriculture is making £150,000 available to help the Potato Marketing Board

Mr Peter Walker, amounting the grant, said in a written reply that he was encouraging the board to strengthen its efforts in marketing British potatoes so that they met the needs of the domestic consumer and the processing industry. government backbenchers have complained of extrava-

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Mrs Margaret Thatcher replied that it was very easy in retrospect to make a judgment about the price. The offer price of 142p was decided over two weeks ago on the firm advice of professional City advisers and was believed to be the highest on which the company could be successfully offered.

It has been suggested (ahe went on) that it should have been put out to tender but small investors and people who work for the company could not have had a chance to take up shares. (Labour protests)

best possible professional advice. It is possible to consider tendering in future. We shall take professional advice and consider tendering.

urged not to give aid

TERRORISM

Americans

he said.

He told Mr David Alton (Liverpool, Edge Hill, L) that arms snuggled from the United States had been used frequently in terrorist attacks, including murders of members of the security forces and civilians.

The United States Government (he said) is well aware of that, and continues to take energetic measures to prevent such traffic. I hope recent publicity will have brought the point home to those

Immensely exciting and promising things which were happening; in Wales, Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales, said when opening a debate on Welsh affairs. Wales, he said, was a good place in which to live and work.

At the latest count the total number out of work in Wales stood at 174,878, and the seasonally adjusted figure of 162,600 represented 15 per cent of the labour force.

The social consequences of unemployment on this scale were unemployment on this scale were severe. But two aspects of the simation offered, grounds for optimism. The first was that

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simation offered grounds for optimism. The first was that despite Wales having suffered a particularly large share of the rundown of the steel industry, the relative position of Wales within the United Kingdom economy had held up well.

The second aspect giving grounds for optimism was that there were now signs of the move from recession. Despite the disraptions caused by weather and strikes over the last couple of months, there were clear indications of an upturn in industrial production since the second quarter of last year.

Hard-headed businessmen coming to Europe without prejudices and preconceptions were increasingly choosing Wales as an ideal location for their operations. The story of Lianwern and Port Talbot with their dramatic improvements in productivity had become a striking example to British industry. Others had matched that performance.

Figures of factory allocations formance.
Figures of factory allocations were further evidence of an upturn in the economy. There was a significantly larger number of applications for selective financial assistance in 1981 than in the previous year. More important still, there was a significant increase in the number of offers accepted: 112 worth more than £20m and expected to create well over 7,000 new jobs and safeguard over

000 existing jobs. He had appointed a new

The main business in the House

heal. There had been deliberate attempts to reduce artificially and massage downwards the numbers of people on the unemployment register.

The majority of people in the could be produced in Wales.

Education should be given the highest priority in Government

ers. Civic Government (Scotland)
Bill, report. Wednesday: Debate on less developed countres.
Thorsday: Two marriage enabling Bills. Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments Bill, third reading. Mental Health (Amendment) Bill, third reading. Antiquities

House of Lords will be:
Monday: Taking of Hostages Bill,
second reading. Debate on
environmental pollution.
Tuesday: Northern Ireland Ord-



☐ This year Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence,

He was earlier warned by Mr

Mr Prior replied that in his opinion it was not necessary for all the powers in a devolved government to be exercized from

Mr Whitelaw said the storage of these was controlled by the chief officers of police concerned. The Home Office was continuing to study water cannon that were, or might be, available for use by the police in riots.

At present two former military vehicles were on lean to the police for assessment. Full police for assessment. Full account would be taken in the course of these studies of any risk of injury associated with the use of water cannon.

Advice on the assessment of risks associated with the use of

sepporting equipment. Such equipment was regularly evaluated by the Home Office

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Reagan rethinks | Steelmen plans to cut nuclear arms

From Mohsin Ali, Washington, Feb 25

proposal for substantial reductions in the strategic nuclear arsenals of the United States and the Soviet Union, according to American experts are now unit of can officials. The aim would be to "reduce the aggregate destructive capability of the strategic nuclear arsenals in a militarily significant way". Among options being considered are possible direct alimitations on the number of nuclear warheads, missile "throw-weight" (lifting power) and guidance systems accuracy.

The officials emphasized that the Administration also

that the Administration also wanted any new treaty to would be close include adequate verification with Nato, whi measures, because it was hold a summit essential the two sides should Bonn in June. have confidence that neither | Moscow: President Brezh-

obviously constitutes a major setback for East-West re-lations", they said, therefore it was not appropriate in the present circumstances to discuss a date for beginning

Although the United States does not expect early stra-tegic arms talks because of the Polish crisis, officials are preparing themselves for the time when negotiations with Moscow can resume.
What the United States

would hope to achieve would be a treaty that would "enhance the security of both the superpowers by reducing the instability and unpredictability of the strategic nuclear balance".

Under the 1972 Salt 1 treaty and the 1974 Vladivostok agreement, ceilings were

tok agreement, ceilings were placed on the number of long-range bombers and strategic missile launch pads each side could have. But there were no limits set on there were no limits set on the number of warheads each

missile could carry.
The Salt 2 treaty of 1979 limited each side to 2,400 inter-continental ballistic missiles and bombers each and also places and some limits. on multiple warheads. But that reaty was not ratified by the United States Senate because of Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan, It would have limited landbased missiles on each side to a maximum of 10 warheads apiece. However, the Soviet SS18 missile is capable of carrying up to 30 warheads, whereas the proposed new American MX missile will

And the states and the states of the beginning of last year the United States had 1,630 landand sea-based missiles com-

The Reagan Administ-ration is working on a radical 2,348 missiles. However, the proposal for substantial re-United States possessed 570

sized that before any pro-posal was adopted by the Reagan Administration, there would be close consultations with Nato, which is due to hold a summit meeting in

was cheating.

Any such plan would be presented at strategic arms feet in a variety of arms feet in a variety of arms for the seed that the officials cautioned that the opening of these negotiations depended on an improvement in East-West relations.

| Moscow: President Brezh-nev today denounced the United States for dragging its feet in a variety of arms control talks, and called for a prompt result at the Geneva negotiations on medium-range missiles in Europe (Michael Binyon writes).

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West relations.

The Start process could not be insulated from other international events, officials said. "The continuing repression of the Polish people—in which the Soviet responsibility is clear—obviously constitutes a major setback for East-West relations", they said, therefore ments.

But he accused the United States of failing to support a declaration not to be the first country to use nuclear wea-pons, and of procrastinating ratification of the 1974 underground nuclear test ban treaty. He cast doubt on American intentions of reaching agreements in other

Ostensibly addressing his calls to an unidentified Australian peace organiza-tion which had written to him asking about Soviet attitudes to arms control, Mr

attitudes to arms control, Mr
Brezhnev repeated Soviet
entreaties for a swift resumption of the Salt talks limiting
strategic nuclear arms.

He added: "The Soviet
Union is ready for this at any
moment, but the American
side is incessantly postponing
the dialogue on this problem
which worries the whole of which worries the whole of mankind."

He said it was also ex tremely urgent to resume the Soviet-American talks on prohibiting chemical weapons, which he said were unlike talks. the American side.

□ Vienna: Western represen tatives here said today that they would study carefully a Warsaw Pact draft agreement tabled last week, on reducing both sides' troops in central Europe to see if it could help revive deadlocked rations (Reuter reports).

Herr Walter Boss, the West German Ambassador, told the 297th plenary session of the 19-nation Vienna talks that have dragged on for eight years that the Eastern draft failed to deal with issues that were crucial for the west.

Words that Koch may have to eat

New York, Feb 25. — Mr Edward Koch, the Mayor of New York, calls Mr Richard Nixon a "phoney", Mr Spiro Agnew "spittle" and Britain's Foreign Secretary, Lord Carrington, a "schmuck" in an interview with Playboy The outspoken mayor, who announced on Monday that

announced on Monday that he is running for Govenor, also says Mr Caspar Weinberger, the Defence Secretary, and Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, are terrible. are terrible.

Observers predicted that some of his derogatory comments about the constituency he now seeks — the rest of New York State — would return to haunt him

return to haunt him
In the interview, conducted last December, Mr Koch said he would never run for Governor because it was "a terrible position" and called the president of the city council, Mr Carol Bellamy, who would succeed him as mayor should he be elected governor. a "pain in the governor, a "pain in the

Ass".
Yesterday the mayor sought to take the edge off his comments by asserting he intended them as jokes. But he acknowledged they were embarrassing. — Reuter.

Indonesia's sea claim supported

From David Watts, Singapore, Feb 25

Malaysia today recognized controversial 'archipelagic principle" setting what could become a precedent for the forth-coming law of the sea

negotiations. Under the principle, Indo nesia lays claim to all the waters enclosed within lines drawn from the outermost points of its more than 13,000 covering some square miles of

Malayan recognition of the claim is included in a mari-time agreement signed today in Jakarta. It relates particu-larly to the waters of the South China Sea and those between penisular and East

Malaysia recognizes Indo-nesia's exclusive territorial and economic rights over the and economic rights over the waters under the archipelagic principle sought for the past two decades by Dr Mochtar Kusumaatmadja, the Indonesian Foreign Minister. In turn, Indonesia recognizes Malaysia's traditional fishing

Plea to Greek troops

From Mario Modiano, Athens, Feb 25

Government's national strategy, and urge them to keep politics cut of the

between Mr Papandreou, who is also Minister of Defence, and the commanders of military units deployed in the vicinity of the capital, the Prime Nminister explained ments and build up the why he was pressing Nato to grant Greece guarantees against an attack from Turkey.

The Greek military leader-ship and some 250 senior officers of the Athens garri-son today heard Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Prime Min-ister, outline his Socialist Governmment's national we are demanding guarantees Grant and were them to for our frontiers as well as keep politics out of the military aid on a scale that would maintain the equilibration of the military aid on a scale that would maintain the equilibration of the military aid on a scale that would maintain the equilibration.

In order to consolidate its independence even within the alliance, Greece should develop other sources of armaments and build up the

step up 'dead town' strikes

From Ian Murray, Brussels, Feb 25

For the second day running, the steel industry in Belgium was paralysed today by strikes as angry workers took to the streets and the railway lines to emphasize their concern about the Government's economic

programme. Charleroi, French-speaking city of Bel gium, was completely halted and trains in and out of Namur were blocked. Liège was only slightly more active than on the previous day when a "dead town" tactic was ordered by the unions.

The reaction in French-speaking Wallonia is in response to the austerity measures declared by the Government last weekend with the devaluation of the Belgian franc and to the threat hanging over the entire Belgian steel industry.
Some 100,000 jobs in Wallogia depend directly or indirectly on the steel industry in the area

This concern was evident earlier in the month when steelworkers demonstrated in Brussels to save their jobs and were involved in violent incients with mounted police. The Government promise that interests the unions is that there will be a threemonth total price freeze, save for some very deserving special cases. Only in these circumstances will the unions be likely to accept the threemonth wage freeze which has



Hitting the top note

Sheana Easton, the Scottish rock singer with her Grammy award in Los Angeles. Miss Easton, aged 22, was judged best recording artist of the year for Morning Train and For Your Eyes Only.

Yoko Ono, struggling to hold back tears, was given a standing ova-tion when she and her late husband, John Lennon, won an award

for their record album,

Double Fantasy.

Lena Horne, won two
Grammys — for best
femal pop vocal performace and for best cast show album.

Other winners in-cluded Police the British rock group, Dolly Parton, the country and western singer, and Sir Georg Solti and the Chicago Symphony

Uproar at trial of 'Islamic Guards'

From Our Owa Correspondent Paris, Feb 25

The trial of five men charged with attempting to assassinate Mr Shampour Bakhtiar, the former Iranian Prime Minister, in July, 1980, nearly broke up in confusion today. The men, belonging to a group of *Pasdarans* (Guardwho were in the dock at Nanterre, a Paris suburb, rejected the right of French

rejected the right of French
justice to try them, and
refused to be defended by
French counsel.

Mr Bakhtiar, who has been
living in exile in France since
1979, narrowly escaped assassination when three men,
posing as journalists, tried to
beach into his flat in Neuilly break into his flat in Neuilly.
They were stopped by the
strong police guard.
In the shooting which broke
out, one police officer was

killed, and two were injured.
The court building and i precincts were cordoned off by 500 gendarmes and riot police with police dogs. Only two people were in the

public gallery, a cousin of Mr Bakhuar, and the wife of the alleged leader of the group, Mr Anis Naccache, a Lebanese and member of the Palestinian Fatah organization.
As they were led into the court, the defendants shouted:
"Death to the traitors", and

Down with the United States,

down with Russia, down with Mitterrand" When three women were drawn by lot to sit on the jury, Mr Naccache jumped up shouting, "Islam forbids women to be judges. We reject all women."

Elysée summit irons over the differences From Charles Hargrove, Paris, Feb 25

President Mitterand and Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, today emphasized the close ties between their countries in the face of the grave threat from the revived tension between East and West, and the world econ-

west, and the world economic crisis.

Hence the deliberate solemnity of the thirty-ninth Franco-German summit which ended here today, and of a final declaration, which emphasizes the similarity of their application of their application of their application of their application. their analysis of these and Their approach to the other world problems, even if difficulties in the EEC is also they have different views on different they are at one in

ty between the United States

and the other members of the Atlantic Alliance."

They both opposed any "transfer of the East-West conflict to the Third World", and the importance of "the and the importance of "the development to the South in the spirit of non-alignment," which was enshrined in the Cancun declaration last summer. But at their press conference after the talks it was quite clear from the conterence after the talks it league of Nations' was quite clear from the In a speech bere he said: "I Chancellor's silence on the am particularly worried subject that he has strong about the effects of Europe's

They also agreed on "the very grave consequences" for European economies of high United States interest rates, and on their "determination to do something about it," in agreement with their testing and the Community partners in the Community. However the Bonn Govern

ment is obviously not pre-pared to go as far as France on recommending to them European counter-measures if their representations to Washington remain unheeded.

they have different views on their solution.

Their standpoints are practically identical on the condemnation of the repression in Poland taken "under pressure and with the assistance of the Soviet Union", on the need to restore the balance of forces in Europe through the stationing of American theatre nuclear weapons, and simultaneously to pursue talks on arms limitation; and on the "vital strengthening of the solidarity between the United States

different: they are at one in the need to overcome them "in a spirit of solidarity". But according to German sources, if the Bonn Government agrees to defend Community institutions, it does not wholly endorse the French standpoint on agricultural prices, and does not want to get involved in the community budget.

er Tugendhat, a vice-president of the EEC Commission, to-night expressed strong anxiety about Europe's relations with America. (Denis Taylor writes). He said that if the Community failed to rise to the international challenges with which it was con-fronted, it "will I fear, sink into the same limbo of lingering irrelevance as the League of Nations".

chancellor's suence on the subject that he has strong misgivings about French disunity and inability to assistance to "liberation respond to crises on our movements" in Central States.

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Mugabe pledge to Carrington over detainees

From Michael Hornsby, Salisbury, Feb 25

an hour-and-a-half meeting in bury to monitor the Zim-Salisbury today between Mr babwe Government' observ-Robert Mugabe, the Zimbab-wean Prime Minister, and agreement. Lord Carrington, the Foreign The present crisis was

of Zimbabwe's independence including 200 land mines, in April, 1980, which was 3,000 rounds of ammunition made possible by the Lan- and seven missiles was found caster. House agreement today near the Midlands town signed in December of the of Gwelo.

brought to trial.

British officials travelling ago.

with Lord Carrington were at pains to point out that his briefed this atfernoon on the visit was arranged some months ago and should not reaction to the political crisis



Salisbury smiles: Lord Carrington presenting Mr Mugabe with a

The political crisis in be seen in any sense as a Zimbabwe after last week's response to current events. It dismissal of Mr Joshua eas also "nonsense" to Nkomo from the coalition suggest that the Foreign Cabinet was discussed during Secretary had come to Salis-

Secretary.

Lord Carrington arrived in of large caches of weapons the morning on a two-day on farms owned by Mr official visit, the first since Nkomo's Patriotic Front attended the celebrations (Zapu) party. A new cache,

previous year.

No details were available of the Foreign Secretary's talk with the Prime Minister, who took the initiative by offering his own explanation of recent events. It is underdtood that Mr Mugabe also gave an assurance that several white politicians in detention since politicians in detention since in garrisons in Bulowayo, Mr Nkomo's home town, a year ago.

reaction to the political crisis by Major-General Colin Shortiss, who heads the British military advisory and training team which was requested by Mr Mugabe to supervise the intergration of the two guerilla forces.

After a brisk and business-

like welcome this morning at Salisbury airport, Lord Carrington went straight into talks with Mr Witness Man-gwende, the Zimbabwe Foreign Minister, who expressed some concern about the slow pace of the nego-tiations over the future of Namibia (South-West Africa.) Namibia (Soum-west Aurica.)
In a discussion with Mr
Bernard Chidzero, the recently appointed Minister of
Finance, Lord Carrington
asked whether it might be
possible to ease the problems of British citizens with investments in Zimbabwe who are unable to take out

Lord Carrington presented
Mr Mugabe with a belated
independence gift from the
British Government and
people. This was a silver
dinner table centre piece surmounted by copies of the carved stone birds found at the Great Zimbabwe ruins.

Finance surprise in big Kenyan reshuffle

other key figure who was previously Minister of Constitutional and Home Affairs, is now merely Minister of Constitutional Affairs and is no longer responsible for the Criminal Investigation De-

Mr Kibaki and Mr Njonjo have been regarded here as involved in a power struggle, although they and President

Moi have always insisted there is no such struggle within the Cabinet or the ruling Kenya African National Union.
Mr Arthur Magugu, the new Finance Minister, was formerly Minister of Health.
He is not generally known here as a financial expert, and his appointment has

and his appointment has caused some surprise, coming at a time when Kenya, like other developing countries, faces serious economic problems.

No minister has been dropped, but only nine of the 25 retain their former posts.

Two more ministries have been created, and the two ministers of state in the President's office, who have been close to President Moi since he took office on the death of President Kenyatta in 1978, have been named to fill the new posts.

Mr Godfrey Kariuki, for-

merly Minister of State with responsibility for internal

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In his speech made in the Nicaraguan capital of Mana-gua last Sunday, President Reagan's much. heralded statement, outlined a three-part peace plan. This called for a negotiated settlement of the Mexican leader's proposals, the fact that Mr Reagan's that Mr Reagan's action.

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Mr Mwai Kibaki: Moving to Home Affairs.

The full cabinet is: Provident: Danlot Mot. Vice-President and Home Affairs: Mwai Kibaki, Constitutional Affairs: Mwai Kibaki, Constitutional Affairs: Charica Nionio, Fisance: Arther Maquyn, Water Development: Jeremiah Nyagah. Economic Planning and Development: Zachary Onyonka. Cooperative Development: Robert Malano, Agriculture: Munyua Waiyahi, Local Covernment: Stanley Oloitipiitp, Information and Broadcasting: Ellud Mwanunga. Livestock Development: Paul Nger. Foreign Affairs: Robert Ouko, Lands, Settlement and Physical Development. Settlement and Tacharlas; Codfrey Nartuhi, Regional Development. Settlement Stanley Guide Housing: Charles Rubbs, Higher Education: Joshua Kanotho. Commerce: John Okwanyo, Cukture and Social Servicas: Moses Mudavidi, Tourism and Widlife: Elliah Mwangale. gale, and the state of the stat

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Struggle in Central America

Reagan snubs Mexican mediation offer

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He failed to respond to an Offer made last weekend by Reagan's President José I are supported by the support of the proposed and the Caribbean construction one big omission which has provoked adverse warmly received by Cuba and Nicaragua. However More president José I are the president has been trying to establish close ties with his Mexican counterpart. "I was absolutely astounded by this omission", one Gentral I american diplomat said.

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He failed to respond to an offer made last weekend by President José Lopez Portillo of Mexico to act as a "communicator" between countries in the region which are at loggerheads, notably the United States, Cuba, Wicarana and El Salvador.

Nicaragua and El Salvador. Most of President Reagan's speech was devoted to outlining details of his plan to increase economic assistance to the region by \$350m (about £190m) this year, invest in the region and give duty-free access to the United States for most of the

United States for most of the region's exports.

However, the President also included tough warnings against Cuba and the Soviet Union attempting to extend their influence, and attacked Nicaragua for being a "platform for covert military action"

fieldworker, said.
"It is all a misunderstand-

ing, was the retort of the bead of the local National

guerrillas on the road, so be careful," he warned a carload

warmly received by Cuba and plan has produced a predictional Nicaragua. However Mr able response from countries Reagan's failure even to in the area — generally refer to the Mexican initiative shows that the United ragua, and warm from Costa States is decidedly cool about Rica, El Salvador and Jamaica.

State Department officials have emphasized that the United States is opposed to a negotiated settlement in El Salvador as they believe this would open the door to a left-wing takeover. Instead the United States supports the elections which are to be held provide tax incentives for at the end of next month, American firms willing to even though the elections are invest in the region and give being boycotted by most left-

for a negotiated settlement of caused particular surprise, The 10-day exercise is neo-colonialist dominance".

The colonel said his troops

had flushed guerrillas out of eight camps, killing 28.

earings who has been fight-

fighting under the umbrella of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front

The crowd huddled in the Salvador on the border dingy town square was vis-between the provinces of San ibly terrified. "We heard that Vicente and Cabañas, after a

village so we ran away," According to Colonel Sig-Senor Moldaino Iraete, an friedo Ochoa, the army elderly man wearing the commander for the region, straw hat of a Salvadorean the operation was a success.

bead of the local National Guard detachment, a plump sergeant with little apparent Clara offered a different interest in finding out what version of the battle. More was happening in the village, less than a mile out of town.

"I have heard there are guerrillas on the road, so be long black hair and silver careful," he warned a carload environs who has been fight.

of reporters trying to estab-lish where the fighting is taking place, and its intensity on a broad front where both sides have been claiming victories during the past

they were going to bomb our five-day operation.

Mr Edward Seaga, the Jamaican Prime Minister, whose country is already receiving substantial American aid, said the plan was "bold, historic and far-reaching in the content of the conten

ing in concept".

However, there are widespread doubts about aspects
of the plan. Representatives from countries in the region at the end of next month, even though the elections are being boycotted by most left-wing parties.

The officials also pointed out that the United States had already told Nicaragua it was prepared to improve relations with the left-wing Sandinist regime in Managua the region given the present provided that it ended its support for left-wing guer-

Clutching an M1 carbine and a bag of rations which

included sardines, powdered

milk and lollipops, Claudia

normal that when the army

ordered to regroup around

Santa Clara. "We are waiting

for the army to come down the road after us. We have a

mission, but that's is a secret."

The operation which just

ended here was one of four

conducted by Salvadorean forces on a broad territory running between 30 and 40

Girl guerrilla keeps her mission a secret

From Paul Ellman, Santa Clara, El Salvador, Feb 25

code-named "Operation Safe Pass". It is expected to include warships from the United States, Britain, West Germany, Belgium and The Netherlands.

Officials said the exercise reflects United States concern over increased Soviet arms supplies to Cuba. Last year Cuba received 66,000 tons of war supplies from the Soviet Union more than any Soviet Union, more than any year since the Cuban missile crisis. Last month senior United States officials disclosed that Cuba had received a second squadron of MiG 23s from the Soviet Union.

☐ Moscow: Tass today de-nounced President Reagan's Caribbean aid package saying it was aimed at supporting "counter-revolutionary elements and bloodstained repressive regimes" in the region (Reuter reports).

Tass, reporting from Washington, said President Reagan's announcement was intended to ensure continued United States domination of the caribbean region.

Washington intended to send aid to repressive regimes such as those in El Salvador, Guatemala and Haiti, "to strangle the mounting national liberation movement of the peoples and to perpetuate United States

campaigning in the election scheduled for March 28.

Although the Salvadorean command appears to be succeeding in its aim, the explained that the guerrillas had a different view of victory and defeat. "It is operations seem cumbersome and almost leisurely, cer-tainly lacking the vicious intensity of edited television films. comes to our camp we leave.
It is not as if we lived in brick houses," she said.
Her detatchment had been

The troops take shelter from the scorching sun early in the day and the torpid stillness is only occasionally broken by the crack of carbine fire or the distant boom of an artillery shell.

The guerrillas appear to have moved out of some of their strongholds, at least for the time when the Army is Their failure to launch

miles north and east of the capital. Its aim is to try to break up large concentrations of guercounter-offensive is said by political sources to be the result of a debate among the guerrillas' political leaderrillas which have formed on this front, apparently to disrupt the closing stages of ship over tactics to pursue in

The marijuana boom

Polish party preserves facade of unity

From Roger Boyes : Warsaw, Feb 25

Reports of the death of Polish communism have, to paraphrase Mark Twain, been gravely exaggerated. That seemed to be the main message, some would say the only message, to emerge from the plenary session of the Central Committee of the Polish Communist Party which ran out of breath here

It was the first plenary meeting since the delaration of martial law more than two months ago and was thus expected by many to provide a showdown between frustrated hardline Marxists and frustrated liberal reformers, with General Wojciech Jaruzelski, the Polish leader, being caught in the crossfire. Instead, General Jaruzels-ki, as party leader, produced a speech that dominated the first day of the plenum, stamping the subsequent discussion, as each Central Committee member seized on an aspect of the statement and developed the theme.

The tone of the general's speech was in line with his moderate position in the party, making a few token concessions to the hardliners - but firmly committing the party to the line of the ninth emergency party congress last summer.

That congress, which trim-med away the extremes of the party, has been regarded with some suspicion by hardliners over the past few months. It made they believe too many concessions to Solidarity, the independant trade unions. It was too articulate in its pledge to

political reform. Hardline delegates were somewhat winded by the speech, coming hard on a Soviet invitation to General Jaruzelski to visit Moscow. However, the influence of these fundamental Marxists, which has grown over the two months since martial law, has not disappeared. Above all, it still has an important right of veto in the

party.

Thus the party moderates had been hoping that a draft declaration entitled "What we are fighting for and where we are going" would be adopted by the plenum. But shortly before the plenary session, great resistance nary session, great resistance was expressed by hardliners at an ideological subcommittee headed by Mr Stefan Olszowski, regarded as a political hardliner in the Politburo.

The balance of forces is not even, that much has

become evident in the plenary session. While some speakers have criticized "revisionism"—shorthand for excessive reforming zeal -most have confined their tough statements to safe targets such as criticizing President Reagan, Radio Free Europe, Solidarity or party corruption.

It now seems evident that if there is to be a showdown between those who favour Hungarian-style moderate change and those who support a tough, Czechoslovak-style communism, it will come at the next plenary

This plenum has, at least, showed Poles that the Communist Party still exists, that it can preserve a facade of

☐ International Red Cross officials have spoken to 1,000 prisoners in six Polish internment camps over the past month and have secured the release of 130, charity officials said today.

Although the officials were rejuctant to discuss conditions in the camps, they said that the 130 had been released mainly because of ill

released mainly because of ill health and a further 38 applications were being considered.

The International Red Cross is the only organization apart from the Catholic Church that has been permitted to visit internees and it is reluctant to lose this privilese by making critical lege by making critical

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SUMMARY

Bourguiba ultimatum to Gaddafi

Tunis — President Bour-guiba of Tunisia has asked Colonel Gaddafi of Libya either to hand back an agreement to merge their contries of face the continu-ation of an eight-year-old quarrel over the document (informed sources told Reuter) But at their third meeting during the Libyan leaders current visit it was unclear, whether Colonel Gaddafi had produced the document.

Tunisia reneged on the merger shortly after Mr Bourguiba and Colonel Gad-dafi signed it on the island of Jerba in January, 1974. Mr Bourguiba dismissed his Foreign Minister, saying he

had been misled.
Flanked by teenage girl security guards, who were at first barred from the Carthage Palace, met Mr Bour-guiba on Wednesday and again late at night for and unscheduled second encounter the sources said. The only reason he was invited to Tunisia was to return the document, they maintained.

Seoul presses peace talks Seoul. - South Korea took

its recent peace offensive towards North Korea a stage further by calling for a meeting between delegations of nine members each headed by Cabinet-rank officials during next month (Jacque-line Redditt writes). A statement issued by Mr Sohn Jae Shik, the Minister of Unification, made it clear, however, that South Korea could not seriously consider the North's proposal of a meeting of 50 delegates from each side, with those of the South named by the North.

This was "utterly nonsensical and beyond our understanding" Mr Sohn said. The North's choice included banned politicians and people

Stockman 'not resigning'



Washingon. — The White House moved quickly to scotch rumours that Mr Daivd Stockman, the Budget Director (above) has tendered his resignation as a result of strong criticism in Congress over President Reagan's 1983 budget proposals, "The President is pleased with the ioh Mr Stockman is doing,"

the spokesman said.
News reports had quoted unamed Republicans in Congress as saying it was no longer possible for Mr Stock-man to survive. Later, a senior Reagan official told reporters on a background basis that it was his understanding that Mr Stockman had tendered his resignation in writing.

Hostages freed by jet hijackers

Beirut—More than 100 hostages were freed un-harmed after Muslim gunmen who hijacked a Kuwaiti Airways Boeing 707 at Beirut airport on Wednesday gave themselves up. A clergyman who negotiated with the 12 gunmen said they agreed to surrender in return for moves to investigate the fate moves to investigate the rate
of Imam Moussa Sadr, the
spititual leader of Lebanon's
Shiite Muslims who vanished
in mysterious circumstances
in 1978. The airliner, piloted
by an Englishman, Mr Leslie
Bradley, native of Northumberland, returned to Kuwait.

Gunmen fail to kill police chief

Iran's Chief of Police, Colonel Ebrahim Hejazi, survived unhurt when gun-men in Tehran fired on his car from all sides, Tebran radio said. He took up his post in September after his Dastgerdi, was killed in a bomb explosion blamed by the authorities on the out-lawed Mujahedin guerrilla

In the south of the capital, Hojatoleslaw Tassaloti, prayers leader of a mosque, was wounded in the leg by unidentified gunmen.

Malawi turns out for Kaunda

Blantyre.-President Kenneth Kaunda of Zambia arrived for a five-day official visit to Malawi, his first since the two former British colonies became independent in 1964. He received a tumultuous welcome from 60,000

CORRECTION

The book by Andre Malraux mentioned in a report from New York on February 23 is The Royal Way, not The Royal Navy,

Salvadorean troops yester- against the junta of civialian day pulled out of this area, and military figures headed about 45 miles east of San by President Duarte. S. AFRICAN TRUCE UNLIKELY From Gerald Shaw

The split in the National arty appeared irreversible oday as neither faction showed any inclination to back down and save the unity of Nationalist Afrikanerdom.
Mr P. W. Botha, the Prime
Minister, who is visiting
Namibia (South West Africa), appears reconciled to the loss of at least 22 MPs, including two Cabinet ministers and three party party whips.
Mr Botha's reform-minded

supporters welcome the parting of the ways with the right wing as they beleve this will free the National Party to pursue policies of reform with greater purpose and

In smoke-filled back rooms at parliament the opposing factions were today counting heads and planning tactics for a meeting of the Tran-svaal head committee of the party, which is due to take place in Pretoria on Saturday. If Dr Andries Treurnicht, Minister of State Administration and the right wingers' leader, wins a vote of confidence then he would be well placed to call a party congress and capture the party machine in the Transvaal.

A pot of gold in the Californian fields From Ivor Davies, Los Angeles, Feb 25 In the past year Califor- Los Angeles police departnia's agricultural industry ment's narcotics division, grossed \$13,200m (£7,250m) who recently testified to a from its wide variety of

of land in the Golden State. of land in the Golden State.

All over California, particularly in the less densely populated areas in the north of the state, farmers busily cultivate annual crops of marijuana. Experts believe it has become a multi-billion dollar industry that rivals the revenue of such titans as General Motors and the

bigger oil companies.

Exactly how lucrative a business the illegal sale of marijuana, pot, grass or cannabis has become nobody knows for certain. This week, the California Drug Enforcement Bureau re-ported that, in the past year, its agents had seized 175,563 illegal plants, totalling some cated drugs were worth almost \$500m.

Captain Robert Blanchard,

commanding officer of the

Congress select committee looking into the mushroomproduce. However, that fig-ure does not include income derived from a plant that is being cultivated and har-vested on thousands of acres of the marijuana grown and sold around the United States.

In a city the size of Los Angeles, police last year seized more than 40,000lb of marijuana, fractionally less than the year before. Captain Blanchard explains the drop by pointing out that in the previous year his detectives had confiscated in one sweep some 18 tons of marijuana from a yacht once used by President Roosevelt.

"I do not believe marijuana activity is on the decline", he says. "There are thousands of acres being used to grow the stuff, and drug agents have only been able to hit the tip of that iceberg.

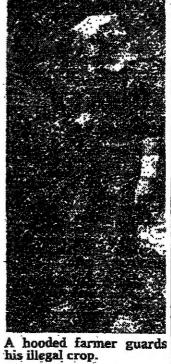
illegal plants, totalling some 219,000ib of marijuana. A street value of some \$2,000 a pound means that the confiscated drugs were worth some growers to move their operations to other states, such as Florida and Arkan-

He also estimates that Colombia makes over \$1,500m a year profit from marijuana shipped to the United States. Police disagree about the effectiveness of the judicial system once arrests are made

in marijuana cases. The Drug Enforcement Agency in Los Angeles says that in 1981 in California 373,000lb of marijuana were seized and some 581 arrests were made. The agency claims a 98 per cent conviction record, but Cap-tain Blanchard says it is impossible to keep track of how many drug growers and traders are convicted.

Californian growers have been monopolizing the mari-

juana market recently as a resultof developing sinsemilla, considered one of the most potent forms of marijuana ever produced. Sinsemilla (seedless marijuana) is produced by culling male marijuana plants to prevent the pollination of female plants. That enables the female plants to store in the buds tetrahydrocannabinol (cannabis) known as THC, not used to produce seeds, thereby making the plants extremely potent.



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TIME: 10.35 a.m.
DATE: February 19, 1982
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EVENT: 757 Inaugural Flight

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From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem, Feb 25

has embarked on a campaign working in Beirut. designed to show up alleged double standards by western news organizations in their reporting of events in Israel and the occupied territories matters, or a robbery, the as opposed to the Arab Israelis imply that it was a world, particularly Lebanon direct reaction to an earlier

The campaign appears to Palestine Liberation Organihave been prompted by the zation.

recent showing in America of an ABC documentary Under the Israeli Thumb highly nizations have distorted their critical of Israeli policy in the occupied West Bank. Tonight the documentary was reshown by Jordan television, which is widely watched by viewers in Israel and the West Bank.

The drive began earlier this month with an interview government press office, Mr Ze'ev Chafets. The whole issue has now been referred for discussion by the Knes-set's foreign affairs and defence committee office. defence committee after a sparsely attended parliamentary debate this week.

The number of news-

papers, broadcasting compa-nies and news agencies, including the BBC, Reuters, The New York Times and the Washington Post, have been accused of deliberately suppressing news about intimidation of their correspondents in Lebanon by Palestinians or Syrians.

Israeli officials have also hinted that the critical ABC documentary could be directly attributed to the brutal murder last year of Mr Sean

The Israeli Government Toolan, an ABC employee To add to the Israeli sas embarked on a campaign working in Beirut.

Suspicions, The New York suspicions, The New York power organizations in their Toolan's murder was probable, conducted the original power of events in Israel ably attributable to personal and interview with Mr Chafets - omitted reference to the abduction of two of its own correspondents in Lebanon when it carried the interview, which had already been reported in full by the International Herald Tribune. ABC film bostile to the

. The omission has now been

rectified: and sections of a

report on the abduction by Mr John: Kifner, the paper's

Beirut correspondent, was quoted in the Knesset debate.

rut, Mr Tim Llewelyn and Mr Jim Muir, were burriedly switched to a new base in

Cyprus in the summer of 1980 after Syrian threats had been passed on to London via Damascus. The switch fol-

lowered soon after Mr Llewe-lyn had reported on an

assassination attempt against President Assad of Syria.

Dr Eliahu Ben-Elissar the chairman of the foreign affairs and defences com-

phere of terror surrounding

Middle East because of Palestinian and Syrian threats against their cor-

Ironically, the campaign angrily accused the BBC of when the Force and a time deliberately refusion to the Force and the BBC of the has been launched at a time deliberately refusing to carry when the Foreign Press a report by its Jeruslalem Association in Israel is encorrespondent, Mr Michael gaged in a campaign of its Elkins, about the government own against the Israeli authorities over the continuation original Israeli version, two of military censorship BBC torrespondents in Bei-

Experienced correspondents based in Jerusalem who have worked in Lebanon and Syria claim that the Israeli campaign is exaggerated, particularly in relation to the PLO, which often chooses for its own reasons to protect journalists. But it is acknowledged that the Syrian authfor threatening — and in some cases initiating some cases initiating attacks against reporters.

Inside Israel, the public mittee gave a number of has responded enthusiastic specific examples during his ally to the Covernment's Knesset speech. "The atmosallegations, which have re-inforced local suspicions that inforced local suspicions that journalists in Beirut gets much of the world's media is thicker and thicker". He told biased against Israel.

Troops cut off Druze villages in Golan

From Our Own Correspond

Four Druze Arab villages the Golan Heights were sealed off by troops at dawn today as the Israelis stepped up efforts to break the 12-day old general strike by the 12,500-strong community against the annexation of the

Syrian territory.
At the same time, lawyers have appealed to the Amnesty International on behalf of five leading members of the Muslim sect who were placed under detention this month. An Israel Army spokesman said the decision to seal off the villages was taken for

security reasons. Israeli radio later said it had also been made to prevent Israeli left-wingers from entering the villages to encourage the strikers and provide supplies.

None of the villagers, except the few still prepared to go to work in Israel, are allowed to leave. Neither can journalists enter the area. Pro-Israeli Druzes on the Golan have been shunned by the rest of their community. Today the Jerusalem Pos reported that one of the most prominent pro-Israeli Golan Arabs, Mr Salman Abu Saleh, had become a labourer on a Jewish settlement after the Druzes boycotted his in-

The paper also said an opinion poll showed that 66 per cent of Israelis approved the Golan annexation and 27 per cent opposed it.

Coup plot trial

Spain's two worlds square up

From Richard Wigg, Madrid, Feb 25

Senor Ramirez: Editor

expelled from court

A line of tiled roof bunga-lows, looking amazingly like the cautouments in India left behind by the British Army, is the first thing you notice as you reach the heavily guarded military area six miles south-west of here where Spain's coup plot court martial is now proceed-

ing.
The well-painted officers' houses with their neat gar-dens provide a stark contrast with the seedy flat blocks on the outskirts of Madrid rushed up during the boom years of Franco. You have entered another world.

Everything at the court martial emphasizes this sense of isolation, this cantonment world. It begins with the rigid body searches. Civil Guards took away the radio I had brought

No wonder there is tension between this old-fashioned cantonment world and the 50 or so Spanish journalists covering the trial. With only about 10 members of the public admitted daily, the journalists represent the journalists represent the forces of a younger, open Society.

The bot stage of the court

martial — the replies in cross-examination of the accused and the threatned revelations of the defence revelations of the detence counsel — has yet to be reached, but already the danger signs are up for the civian press. Senor Pio Cabanillas the Justice Minister, refused to intervene when asked by

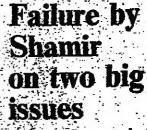
MP's about the expulsion of Señor Pedro Raminez, the 29Instire should have ordered three generals, to appear handcuffed in could, accompanied by 29 other officers, after they had all refused to appear in protest over the newspaper allegations.
The state television rebroadcast on the coop anower-sary night its world-famous shots of the seizure of Parliament and the demand

two days later, of Senor Landelino Lavilla, speaker of the Lower House, for all responsible for the outrage to be brought to account.
Lieut-Colonel Antonio Tejero, who led the Civil Guards into Parliament, looks well at the trial. He was beard as he left one session ebulliently commenting how, he regretted not hitting Lieut-General Gutierrez Mel-lado, then deputy Prime Minister, with his pistol but

Colonel Tejero has sought to involve Queen Sofia, the daughter of the late King Paul and Queen Frederika of the Hellenes, as well as King Juan Carlos. In written testimony he claimed that Queen Sofia allegedly told General Alfonso Armada at a Pyrenean skiing resort several weeks before the coupattempt "You are the only one. Alfonso, who can save us".

while it still sees the presence of its troops as potential leverage in the negotiatious, these sources indicate. But after a 75-minute meeting with Mr Mutbarak, Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli Foreign Minister, told reporters that although he was sure the visit would take place, the "timing and details will continue to be discussed". He repeated the statement later during a joint press conference with Mr Kamal Hassau Alv the Egypting to into the conference with Mr Kamal Hassau Alv the Egypting to into the conference with Mr Kamal Hassau Alv the Egypting to into the conference with Mr Kamal Hassau Alv the Egypting to into the conference with Mr Kamal Hassau Alv the Egypting to in the negotiations, the sextended in the negotiations, the se year-old editor of Diario-16 for publishing allegations on the anniversary of the compabout the conduct in Parlia-

Two leading members of ment on the night of the coup of one of the accused. the ruling Centre Democratic As El Pais, the independent Madrid daily, surmised it may have been unthinkable that Lieutenant-General Luis Party, contacted between rarry, connected between sittings, vigorously defended the King and Queen from the frequently heard defence charge that they allegedly sympathized with coup preparations. Alvarez Rodriguez, the 65-year-old president of the Supreme Council of Military



From Our Correspondent Cairo, Feb 25

Egypt and Israel, ending intree days of negotiations today, announced some progress, but failed to make headway on two issues important to Israel—a date for President Mubarak's proposed visit and a declaration of principles for Palestinian

autonomy. Mr. Mubarak's visit is symbolically important to Israel as an indication, Israeli diplomatic sources say, that Egypt will remain friendly after the scheduled with-drawal from Sinai on April

The Israeli Government is also eager to sign the declaration of principles while it still sees the pres-

press conference with Mr Kamal Hassau Aly, the Egyptian Foreign Minister.

Egyptian sources have said that before committing itslfto a date, Egypt sought assurances from Israel that it would not embark on any move that may embarrass the Egyptian leader, as President Sadat was embarrassed when Israel bombed an Iraqi nu-clear plant three days after his meeting with Mr Mena-chem Begin, the Prime Minister.

Both countries remain far apart on autonomy, which was underlined by statements from both ministers. Mr Shamir, said that in Israel's view, the Palestinians already had a state in Jordan, and that automomy for the 1.3 million living under Israeli

The Egyptian minister replied: "It is not for Egypt of Israel to change the map of the world. Jordan is Jordan We, (Egypt and Israel) have to continue discussing our differences." Mr Shamir said Israel had a document on principles of autonomy, which was an "Impressive and sound basis" for the self-rule of the

Egyptian sources say that during the talks with Mr. Shamir Egypt pointed out that it would not sign a declaration which failed to give full judicial, legislative an executive powers to the Palestinians, and would con-tinue to seek a moratorium on Israeli settlements and means of internationalizing Jerusalem.

Tel Aviv: The opposition Labour Party today declined to join the ruling Likud coalition in a government of national unity. The central committee endorsed a letter to Mr Begin from Mr Shimon Peres, the Labour leader, rejecting the invitation to open nego-tiations (Moshe Brilliant

However, Mr Peres said Labour had agreed to join Likud deputies in a delegation to the United States to explain Israel's opposition to the sale of advanced weapons to Jordan.

India and **Pakistan** sour again

their strained relationship has quickly soured. India withdrew today from the second round of talks on a non-aggression pact, due to start on Monday, because it is upset by remarks about Kashmir made by a Pakistani

It was not publicly men-tioned when the two sides met in Delhi three weeks ago

postponed indefinitely.

Last week Mr Agha Hilaly,
Pakistan's United Nationan
Rights Commission in
Geneva, apparently likened
the Kasimir question to the
Palestings ones

offered by an affront that was not very serious to withdraw from a process initiated by Pakistan and filled with contradictions and

From Trevor Fishlock

The new initiative by Inda and Pakistan to bring some trust and understanding to

diplomat last week. India is adamant that the disputed region is a matter between the two countries and should not be raised elsewhere.

to start salking about a non-aggression agreement. The talks ended on a note of guarded optimism and an-other round was fixed for Islamabad. These have been postponed indefinitely.

Palestinian one.

India's reaction seems to

Mr Narasimha Rao, the Indian Foreign Minister, told Parliament today that the remarks were "objectionable and contentious" and that it was inconceivable they had been made without prior approval of the Pakistan Government.

China opens drive to export its workers

Details of a flig Chinese subsidiary of the Peking-rive to export workers as based China Construction drive to export workers as contract labourers all over the world have begun to emerge in Hongkong as a result of newspaper investi-

ganons.

Questions over the extent
of the Chinese programme,
which according to the
middlemen involved will result in an expatriate worksult in an expatriate workforce of more than two
million earning billions of
pounds in foreign currency
by the end of the decade;
were raised after recent
disclosures by the South
China Morning Post of poor
living conditions among a
small group of Chinese
contract workers in Hongkong

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The 50 workers engaged on Hongkong. Electric's 5HR3,500m (£350m) Lamma power station project, were reported to be fiving in squalid dormitories and under nourished. They claimed they were receiving monthly only between monthly only between SHK2,000 and SHK3,000.

The sub-contractor employing them, Ryeden Electric Engineering Ltd. is officially paying wages between \$HK2,000 and \$HK3,500 plus a daily \$HK25 food allowance, for their work on the steel structure installation. Ryeden pays the installation. Ryoden pays the wages not directly to the workers but to the stateowned Chinese form which hired them put, China Over-seas Building Development hired them yet, China Over An official of the Shangai seas Building Development Labour Bureau, Mr Zhang Co Ltd (COBD). Zhiyang, stated last month

COBD disputed the workers' claim, saying that they received 80 per cent of their wages: 40 per cent in Hongkong and 40 per cent in China. The company took 20

(CCEC), which specializes in overseas construction pro-jects and which is registered under China's General Adtry and Commerce.

The subsidiary sought to

erase the adverse publicity by explaining that the workers were in Hongkong only for training-

The South China Morning Past Followed the trail of the Chinese corporation and its subsidiaries through 13,000 workers in the Middle East to a pending deal involving 100,000 Chinese for South Korean firms.

Last year the corproration claimed that 3,000 of its 100,000 staff were overseas on Contracts won through competitive international render. Since 1957 it had completed 475 projects in 56 countries, covering a total building area of 4,842,556

square meres.

The substance of these early deals was political: an element of China's Third World Foreign policy. But the undertaking of international contracts by competitive tender and China's success in winning 40 contracts worth nearly 5HK500m in 1980 heralded a pragmatic new and. This focuses chiefly of the lucrative Middle East.

that 60 per cent of the city's youth who entered the Job market last year are still awaining employment, some 10 million youth enter the job market each year. Chi-



To the 92 MPs of Greater London.

The Fares Fair Policy, introduced for Londoners on October 4th 1981, was meant to make the public transport systems more accessible to everyone. It increased efficiency through greater use of the available services. It allowed

On March 21st 1982, fares will go up, signalling the end of what was a bold and imaginative piece of planning.

If nothing is done before March 21st, there will be some dramatic changes to the costs and quality of working and travelling in London, Fares will double. Uneconomic tube stations may close. Some bus services may have to go

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London, with the Fares Fair Policy, subsidised its public transport system by 46% - still way down in the League

And, following the rulings of the Court of Appeal and the Law Lords, the subsidy figure for London's public transport

will fall, after March 21st, to as little as 12%. The cost of Fares Fair to the London ratepayer was almost doubled by the penalties imposed by the Government withholding block grant.

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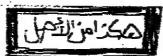
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Political party finance Where do the cheques come from?

Why big money is a mixed blessing

by Michael Pintr-Duschinsky

In its first year of existence, the SDP has scored a notable success in its appeal for rision. The most powerful party funds. It has raised about £750,000, almost cannot be bought by the exclusively from personal parties. Instead, they are donations and £9 subscriptions from 78,000 members lime according to formulas Nevertheless, Social Democrat leaders are beginning to the past, have favoured the Liberals.

The lion's share of political payments by companies and years by the Liberals, about the unfairness of politial funding in Britain. The by the trade unions. Oher

The SDP has given otice that it will table amendments to the Employment bling at the second of the conservation of the conservatio to the Employment Idi, at present before the Hase of Commons, with the affect of controlling politica pay-ments by unions andcompa-nies. The party is exected to propose the reintrodction of contracting-in" t union political levies in pice of the existing systems if "con-tracting out". It alo favours new rules which would enable union merbers pay-ing the levy to irect their money to a pary of their choice.

Behind the SDP/Liberal demand for refrm lies the assumption the two established pares gain sub-stantial politial benefits from the mone provided by their benefacors. This is probably urealistic. An examination c British political finance sows that institutional pagents are a mixed blesing and may actually darage the party organizatios which they intend to her-

In the nieteenth century, money wa a vital political asset. A biging purse could still buy aseat in the House of Commets. Until the passrge of the Corrupt Practices Act of 883, voters were regularly bribed and the financial burdens of parlismentary:lections were astro-nomical by modern standards. Suce then, legal limits have pogressively reduced the expuse of constituency electioeering. In 1880, the averag Conservative candidate sent £48 (at present day prices for each vote re-ceiver in 1979, the figure

was dwn to 13 pence.
Lot costs (and the small electin deposit) now make it possile for third parties to finare large teams of candidate. As far as constituency camaigns are concerned, mory has almost ceased to cout

Fectioneering by national pary organizations is not stituency contributions). sufect to legal restrictions. Since then, the gap has All the same, central camnarrowed further and, on pain costs have not esca-latd. The national campagns of the Conservative, Laour and Liberal parties in

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The lion's share of political years by the Liberals, about the unfairness of political funding in Britain. The campaigning, but to the Tories are nurtured by hig business, the Labour Prty and regional organizations parties must struggle for between elections. The politi-small individual centri-butions.

parties must struggle for between elections. The politi-cal value of these central machines varies greatly. machines varies greatly.

> tive Central Office comes from corporate payments. If local party income is taken local party income is taken into account, companies provide 30 per cent of the total. Labour's reliance on union money is even larger: 90 per cent of headquarters income and over 50 per cent of the party's overall income is derived from union political levies.
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> Between the 1950s and the late 1970s. company pay-

> ments to the Conservance
> Party dropped, in real terms,
> by about 30 per cent. (The
> last election and union politifall has been particularly
> marked since the Conservaover £5m, a large portion of
> which will be earmarked for
> the coming general election February 1974.) By contrast, union levy funds have kept pace with inflation and have overtaken company payments during the last decade. By the 1970s, money raised for various Labour Party

purposes by the unions was about 30 per cent higher than the total contributed by companies to the Tories. The top three unions alone raised more than the top 800 companies combined. Because of union money, the financial advantage traditionally enjoyed by Tory Central Office over Labour's Head Office has been gradually eroded.

Until the 1950s, the routine income of Tory Central Office was about three times that of Labour's Transport benefited from the success of their general election appeals to the business commi which produced comfortable surpluses that could be devoted to the expenses of the central organization between campaigns. The fall in company contributions and the rise in union levies meant that, by the late 1970s, central Conservative income was only 44 per cent greater than Labour's (a lead based largely on Conservative con-

present trends, central Labour revenue will overtake that of the Tories by the mid 1980s. Despite falling income, 199 cost considerably less, in combination, than in the elections of 1910. Central sending is effectively curbed by the fact that the 1979 general



LABOUR

Central income Union contributions (1980) approx £4.1 million Individual membership

250,000 election led to a deficit of encies fell from more than £1.9m in the financial years 200 to 74. Had Labour's Head 1978/9 and 1979/80. £1.9m in the financial years 1978/9 and 1979/80. tions from individual mem-

Between the 1950s and late 1970s, company pay- Additional union runus into ments to the Conservative abled the party to move into new headquarters after the large and union political content and union runus content and uni campaign.

Yet, this largesse does not appear to have helped the Labour Party. Relatively healthy finances at the centre have gone hand in hand with a catastrophic decline in membership and organization

The enlarged sums coming into the Labour headquarters have been used only to a limited extent for yump priming at the constituency level. Between 1963 and 1981 the national and regional payroll grew while the num-ber of agents in the constituCONSERVATIVE

Central income £3.2 million Company contributions (1980) approx £2.7 million

Individual membership

reasons why individual party membership is so pitifully Individual membership reached a peak of about 1 million in the early 1950s. By the time Sir Harold Wilson bers, rather than on union grants, party officials would have been forced to concentrate on the task of maintaining local organizations. became premier in 1964 there were over 600,000. When he

left office in 1970, there were Beside leading to a neglect of local recruitment, trade union money has been dam-aging for another reason. The party constitution, as is well known, gives the unions barely 300,000. The latest membership estimate given by Labour headquarters is 250,000. Trade union financ-ing of the Labour Party has extensive voting powers at the annual party conference. deep historical roots. It was largely responsible for the It is not always realized that the voting strength of each party's formation in 1900. Since 1945, trade union financing has harmed the Labour Party. It limits the role of the individual member union is not related to the size of its levy-paying mem-bership but is determined by the size of its block payment and acts as a deterrent to to party headquarters. A union may purchase a block constituency activity.

For the Conservatives, the impact of business money has been less damaging. Corporate contributions have been less regular than union levies. Partly for this reason, the party has placed heavy financial burdens on its constituency organizations.

· Following the severe Con-servative defeat in the 1945 that unions control 90 per election, the party chairman, severe than in the Labour cent of party conference Lord Woolton, effectively votes—because of their paydenied access to company 1,250,000 to 1,500,000 Conments—is one of the main payments to most local servative party members election, the party chairman,

associations, initiates quota" payments to Central Office and, at the same time banned parliamentary candidates and MPs from subscribing more than £50 a year to their local parties. In order to collect money, they were now obliged to recruit more members and run small scale fundraising events. As Woolton put it in his memoirs:

Central income

"The organization of the party was weakest in those places where a wealthy candidate had made it unnecessary for the members to collect small subscriptions". The strategy of stimulating political participation by starving the local associations of easy money from candidates and companies was an unqualified success. Proceeds from those endless

coffee mornings and jumble sales permitted the Conserva-

tives to employ more than 400 full-time constituency agents in the 1950s and 1960s. Though Conservative local organization and membership have been in decline, the problems have been less

£750,000

SDP

(five to six times Labour's total); the party still has 300 paid constituency agents; payments to Central Office by the local associations (about £800,000 in 1980/81) have helped to mitigate the effects of falling company payments. The fate of the Liberals in

the 1920s and of Labour since the 1960s carries a warning to the SDP and to the Liberals of today. Social Democrat leaders favour legislative reforms to provide the party with state subsides and with a share of trade union political levy funds. Despite the comforts of such assured sources of income, there is a danger that they could eventually inhibit the growth of grass roots organization in the constituencies. It is more important for the SDP/Liberal alliance to con-centrate on individual fund raising than on a search for state aid or for permanent sources of institutional

the 1920s and of Labour since

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funds.

Conservatives

Declining funds

How Tory cash is dwindling

Within the next few weeks, Conservative Central Office will finally publish its accounts for the financial year April 1980/March 1981. The failure to issue the

accounts in time for the annual Conservative conference last October was unprecedented and reflected the problems facing the party reasurers ever since the 1979

election campaign.

The balance sheet for 1980-1 will show income of £3.2m and expenditure of £4.7m. The £1½m deficit brought the accumulated Central Office deficit for the three years 1978-9—1980-1 to £3½m. The reserves were £726.000 before this run of £726,000 before this run of losses started and the party now has an overdraft of f112m and, in addition, it will eventually need to repay emergency loans from a number of constituency as to repay to the first term of the ciations totalling £500,000. In the current financial year, central Office hopes to break even or to limit its loss to £100,000. It expects to spend £3.8m (including, interest charges) and to raise £3.7m. The deficit of £1½m 1980-1

was not altogether abnormal. The national organization almost always runs at a loss in the lean year after a general election. What was unusual this time was its failure to make a profit during the General Election itself.
The current financial prob-

lem does not result mainly from a sudden decline of business contributions because of the recession. Corporate support has gradually been falling since the 1960s. Some firms, like Thorn and Marley, stopped contributing after Mrs Thatcher's elec-tion. Most of the regular contributors have continued to make payments but many have failed to keep pace with inflation (Glaxo's 1981 contribution of £25,000 was the same as in 1977: Consolidated Goldfield's barely raised its payment from £22,000 in 1977 to £25,000 in 1981.)

The fact that the reserves

have been exhausted means that the party's investment income has been swamped by debt charges (£180,000 in 1980/1 and £200,000 in the current financial year).

The Tory treasurers are hoping to wipe out the deficit by a sale-and-leaseback uses, for its headquarters at 32 Smith Square. Using a bridging loan, the party purchased the freehold of this building negotiating to sell the premises to a pension fund, which will lease back most of the space on a 250-year lease. The deal will enable the bridging loan of £1m to be

bridging loan of £1m to be repaid and it may also provide cash to repay some or all of the party's debts.

But there will be a price to pay. In the future, Central Office may have to pay rent and, by selling off the back of the headquarters building (which is now lock) it will long. (which it now lets) it will lose a rental income that must be

£100,000 a year. On some previous occasions when the party has been in money trouble (in the late 1940s and the late 1960s), a special financial appeal has been launched to build up a reserve. No similar effort is being planned now. The next election may be the first ever in which Labour is able to

Political donations: the men who pass round the hat

LABOUR

Alex Kitson, cimirman of the Labour Party's finance and general purposes committee, comes nearest to being Labour's chief fund raiser. The post of party treasurer, at present held by Krie Varley, is essentially noistical Variey, is essentially political and involves little day-to-day contact with party finances.

As deputy general secretary of the biggest trade union, the Transport and General Workers, Kitson is well-placed to tap Labour's soost important source of finance. In the year ended December 31, 1380, trade union affiliation fees provided just over £2m of the party's total income of £2m. Contributions from constituency Labour parties

Trade unious pay the Labour Party 45 pence each year for every attilized member. In addition, they



are the most important source of help when the party needs extra funds to take it through a financial crisis or to build up the separate General Election funds.

of voting shares ("members") smaller or larger than it actual membership. For example, the Transport and General Workers' Union

obtained an extra 250,000

conference votes in 1979

simply by contributing an extra £100,000.

In the long run, the fact that unions control 90 per

Alex Kitson

Together with the general secretary, chairman and treasurer, Kitson holds meetings with general secretaries of affiliated trade unions roughly every six mouths or so "to pass the begging bowl around".

CONSERVATIVE Alistair McAlpine, homorary treasurer of the Conservative Party since 1975, is the doyen of political fund-ransers in Britain. A director of Sir Robert McAlpine & Sons Ltd, the building firm, Sons Ltd, the building firm, since 1963, he has built up close contacts with industrialists to whom he appeals for funds on a carefully selective basis. Those firms known to take a tough line on trade union reform, for example, were approached shortly after the appointment of Norman Tebhit as Employment Secretary.

Alistair McAlpine

ande on a quota basis and douations from husiness and other curporate sources.

A survey by the Labour Research Department last summer said that company douations to the Conservatives had dropped by more than a third in the past two years. The party's joint treasurers demied its findings. However, the party has been in financial difficulties for some time and has had to shed staff and reduce costs.

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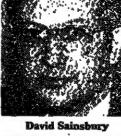
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financial support from industry and other corporate depors. He chairs a financial

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David Sainsbury, finance director of the family grocery chain, spearheads the SDF's drive to attract



higgest corporate donation has been £5,000 from Marks and Spencer, earmarked specifically for the two joint Liberal-SDP commissions on constitutional reform and industrial measuration. The constitutional reform and industrial regeneration. The Rowatree Trust has also paid the salary of the party's parliamentary secretary. With its declared apposition to the trade union political levy, the SDP has effectively cut itself off from that particular potential source of funds.

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The Labour Party's phoney peace

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The pacific "spirit of Bishop's literature, have charted the down-Stortford" is still alleged to brood ward path. The argument starts benignly over the Labour Party and no doubt it is faintly plausible to claim that the "draw" between left and right at Wednesday's meeting of the party's national executive committee (one Militant in, one out for the time being) represents a balanced conclusion in the Bishop's Stortford mould. But there is a difference between a "draw" and a "truce", as the ferocity and bad temper that apparently characterized the NEC lebate made plain.

The truth is that the famous Bishop's Stortford agreement of seven weeks ago was a confidence trick. The trade unions and the parliamentary leadership were desperately anxious to persuade themselves, and anyone else who would listen, that the party bickering would end in the interests of electoral respectability for the duration of this Parliament.

But the flaw in the strategy was that while the high-contracting parties could determine (up to a limited point) what happened in their own bailiwicks, they could not govern events in that part of the party where the trade union and leadership writ does not run - namely in the constituency parties where nearly all the trouble originates. Peace does not break out by a simple declaration on one side.

The reasons why the truce cannot and will not hold are the reasons why the Labour Party got into such a mess in the first place. Unless the entire sociology of Britain changes in a wholly unpredictable and implausible fashion, it is hard to see why Labour's troubles should not continue to accumulate.

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ward path. The argument starts with the decline of the class. system in this country and the rise of television (separate, but not entirely disconnected phenomena). The number of old-style, dyed-in-the-wool manual workers, even in the north, who vote Labour out of atavistic loyalty is dwindling, and those that exist are not going to turn out to inordinately lengthy party meetings on rainy nights in frowsty Labour committee rooms when they could

be at home watching Coronation

They have therefore abdicated to their children and grandchildren, who tend to have been educated at universities and polytechnics, have (or, with unemployment at three million, more likely had, or aspired to) jobs in the public sector, were turned into radicals in the late 1960s and into activists by the frustrations of the 1970s and, unlike their parents, interpret the word "socialism" in terms of Marx

rather than Owen and Morris. They think of themselves as workers, and talk about "working-class consciousness", but this is often mere nostalgia at a psychological level, and at a political level simply a code-word in the language of revolution.

Of course this picture is a gross over-simplification of a very complicated reality. "Upward mobility" in the social sense does not invariably lead to radical activism; there are huge regional variations, with many local parties still dominated by moderates, and others, for that matter, still in the iron grip of the most conservative trade union machines. But the fact remains, as many opinion polls show, that constituency delegates to recent Labour Party conferences have been over-whelmingly in the middle-class social and economic brackets and

(as the votes have amply demon-strated) predominantly left-wing in orientation.

Nothing at present seems likely

to reverse this trend except a willingness on the part of the present parliamentary leadership and the trade unions to redraw the party rules so as (a) to mobilize anti-left support in the constituencies and (b) to purge the party of all Marxist sub-groups. These are precisely the steps they will not or cannot take. In the case of the constituencies

it is not enough, for instance, merely to reverse the conference decision which imposes reselection on MPs for every general election. The long-term slide to the left would still continue under the influences just described. What is required is a selection procedure which implicates the "sleeping" moderates who never turn up to meetings — in other words, a limited version of an American primary election in which all members of the local party are entitled to vote. There is not the slightest chance that such a reform will be proposed, let alone adopted, because it would undermine the privileged position of the trade unions in the appointment of delegates to selection conferences (and which in effect turns a number of constitu-

effect turns a number of constitu-encies into rotten boroughs).

Similarly, in the case of the ideological challenge, it is no use proscribing the Militant Tendency (although that would certainly be a step forward). Its members would soon regroup and reappear in the same places, with the same aims and opinions but in a slightly different guise. The real need is to investigate all the existing "par-ties within the party" (the Rank and File Coordinating Committee, the London Labour Briefing, and all the rest) and declare that they are in contravention of Clause of the party constitution; the NEC

should then revive the party's blacklist of proscribed organiza-tions which was fatally abolished as part of Mr Wilson's liberalization package in 1968.

But here again, there is no prospect whatever of this being done. It is too late. There are no longer the votes in the party conference to support it. And in any case Mr. Foot has set his face against a witch-hunt, partly for good liberal reasons, but partly to avoid a flaming row between now and the next general election.

This is where the party's dilemma is so clearly exposed. If Mr Foot decides to assert himself and then successfully carries his wishes through with the help of his wafer-thin (and distinctly unreliable) majority on the pre-sent NEC, and makes even the most timid and tentative step that actually harms the hard left, all hell will break loose; Mr Benn will have a field day and Labour will

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If, on the other hand, he keeps mum and lets the left-wing strategy (of intimidating the Parliamentary Labour Party in the short rum and transfer in the short run and transforming its composition in the long) proceed on its inexorable course, then he damned by another route. First, his support, such as it is, in the Commons would be badly eroded after the next election. More immediately, however, he cannot expect the right wing to stay silent while the left is allowed to go on picking it off. There will be a flaming row that way, as well; and it is rapidly gaining in volume and intensity. Whether it would harm the Labour Party more at the polls than the other sort of the polls that the polls that the polls than the polls that the polls the row is a moot point. There cannot be much in it, and though it has become fashionable in the last month or so to predict a steady Labour revival from now on, I would not put much money on it.

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proportion of Turkish Cypriots in the population.

For the moment, attention is focused on the constitutional rather than the territorial aspect of the dispute. Mr Rauf Denktas, the Turkish Cypriot leader, this territorial aspect of the dispute. insists on what he calls "the full partnership status of the Turkish Cypriots in the formation of the new Government", meaning essentially that Greek Cypriots should be able to use their position as the majority to impose decisions against Turkish Cypriot wishes. On the Greek Cypriot side,

Mr Kyprianou says: "This equality business is not acceptable" — meaning that while individuals should be equal, he cannot accept the idea of "two separate entities of equal status" since this would mean giving less would mean giving less weight to the vote of the individual Greek Cypriot than to that of his Turkish fellow-

Nor does Mr Kyprianou accept that the issue is fundamentally one of lack of trust between the two communities, resulting from the bloodshed before as well as during the Turkish invasion.

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the security of Cyprus in view of the threat from Turkey." It is very hard to find a Turkish Cypriot, even among those who most fiercely oppose Mr Denktas and are most eager to solve the intercommunal conflict, who would agree that this is the only kind of security to be considered. It is true that the Turkish Cypriots, living in an occupied zone as they do, are not negotiating as completely free agents. But it is also true that they are unlikely to join Greek Cypriots in calling for Turkish withdrawal so long as Greek Cypriots show so little understanding of the reasons why they welcomed the arrival of Turkish forces

The world's press was buoyed up by The Washing-ton Post's exposure of Water-Has the gate. But lately American journalism has increased scepticism about the press by prying scepticism about the press by publishing false stories (in no less than The Washington Post and, last week, The New York Times). Now, just as Watergate bacame legend through the film All the President's Men, the anipress movement is reinforced by a new film, Absence of Malice. Is the tide turning? And is it a fair picture reporter's halo slipped? And is it a fair picture

veniently on view. Like a good (good?) newshound, London yesterday, Sally Field, play-ing Megan Carter, a reporter Carter reads it.
She and her editor are aware that the story has been "leaked" to them but they do none of these things: above not appear to question the motives of the police and, on the basis of the "file" alone, the Standard runs a frontor rather a dupe, who makes a wrong move in almost every frame of the movie. She intends no evil but page article saying that Gallagher is a suspect in the murder investigation. This is exactly what the police chief

In America the film is reported to be doing "nice business" and the question is In Britain, of course, our stricter Libel and Contempt of Court laws would prevent asked whether this is because it has tapped a public anger at the incursions, mistakes, this kind of article, but not in the United States. We learn later in the film that Gallaghvendettas of reporters and their editors, whether the er is entirely innocent but efore Megan Carter and her editors are convinced, she has made more errors, lied to gative journalist, once a national hero, is now the villain of the piece. her sources, slept with Gallagher and indirectly caused the suicide of a friend of his, The world premiere of also entirely innocent. There Absence, held in Washington, can be no doubt about the was given as a benefit for a film's anti-oress line, body called the Reporters

Carl Bernstein, half of the Committee for Freedom of the Press an organization of the body that broke the Watergate

Washington post's famous duo that broke the Watergate scandal and now a producer correspondent with the American Broadcasting the Press, an organization set up to fight anti-press moves by the United States Government. Given the film's antipress stance, this was curi-Company enjoyed the film, and, thought it was on the right track in drawing attention to the fact that newsous but the premiere was attended by several hundred of the capital's top journal-ists and netted the committee papers too often do not make more than \$50,000. Most of the journalists reported that they had enjoyed the movie, in the words of one of them enough checks. But he thinks that every character in the film would be fired from a real newspaper, and the lawyer disbarred. "as entertainment and as a

or persons doing the leaking.
I like to think that the leak in Absence would not have The film opens just after a passed our test. And that prominent Miami union leader It is certainly the feeling has disappeared without trace. The head of the that in the three recent cases of fabricated stories — Janet Cooke's eight-year-old heroin organized crime task force, getting nowhere in his inves-'addict" in The Washington tigation, thinks up a ruse to Post, which won a Pulitzer. flush information out of the Prize, Michael Daly's exclusive in the New York Daily underworld. Michael Gallagh-er, played by Paul Newman, is the fall-guy: his father and uncle are known to have been News about a gun-toting British soldier in Northern Ireland, and Christopher Jones's trip with the Khmer Rouge published in the New York Times—there was in in the Mafia and the police chief thinks Gallagher has York Times - there was in each case enough internal inconsistency for editors to Megan Carter is deliberately tipped off that the police have someone in their sights regarding the union leader's have been made suspicious.

Bob Woodward, the other half of the Washington Post's Watergate duo and now one disappearance and she visits of the paper's editors, does the police chief in his office. not sense that public hostility to the press is any more comment, but then leaves widespread now than it was, her in his office, on a presuranged excuse, with the journalism schools are still file on Gallagher confull to overflowing . . . no, of the paper's editors, does

Reporter Sally Field in Absence of Malice: is this really low the press works? th really bad time was in the ealy seventies just before. Waergate when Spiro Agnew was Vice President and went around talking about the nattring nabobs of negative

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Others disagree sharply with Voodward and say there is a beklash against — well, intrusive if not investigative journaism. Bradlee is one such. "America definitely has a peoccupation with the press riht now, as a result of Wategate, I think. I feel. this peoccupation here. Everythig we do is under a special microscope. You know hot we used to study the study through the school, scrutinizing it for five months trying to work out if his brother-in-w was gay".

What figures there are, would seem to support the motion that newspapers are indeed under threat. Despite: America's loser libel and contempt law, especially in regard to "pblic figures," libel actions igainst newspapers have nowballed in recent years Besides the much-publiciset seven figure sum granted to arol Burnett for a National Inuirer article. about her, ther have been other even larer awards made against Pethouse, the San Francisco Exminer, the San Francisco Chonicle, the Daily Oklahoman and the Lake Charles (ouisiana) American Press. Ad as Klaw says, this is not use to a change in the law tself but instead to the fact tilt juries. which settle the evel of awards, are reflecing the mood of the American

The managing edite of the San Francisco Chronic says that the sending of thearm ing letters has prolifered in the last few years, "often for very frivolous reasons but which demand expusive replies (only 10 out of 136 libel suits against the ledia were successful, according to one study). At Time Inchey have about 10 libel hits pending at any one time ind the Gannett newspaper cain every 10 days. Parade a colour magazine insertedin 136 Sunday newspapers, as recently decided to introde regular liberal seminars fir staff.

Pace Bob Woodward, the there does seem to be fair fertile ground for Absence Malice to take root in. An some papers, like Time Ind-are fighting it and have, for instance, begun counters suing individuals and organi zation who are believed to have sued them maliciously.

At this point you are no doubt thinking that we are treating Absence of Malice like some of the Washington heavies, and, as Bradlee says spending as much time on it as schools devote to Hamlet. Let's give the last word to Pollack. "Heck, this isn't a documentary, a documentary would have been different. This is fiction wrapped around a newspaper. And a love story.

Peter Watson

Why Nicosia is so glad to see Papandreou

When Mr Andreas Papandreou arrives in Cyprus tomorrow he will be the first Greek Prime Minister ever to visit the island. Almost certainly he will be given a welcome from the Greek Cypriot population such as the control of no one has bad since Makarios returned from his second exile, in December 1974.

This is not because Greek Cypriots are still hankering after their old dream of Enosis with Greece, as Turkish Cypriots are prone to assert. That was already no

welcome Papandreou because. United States, and under they believe that under him sufficient pressure would do Greece is for the first time as it is told. Greece is for the first time giving them whole-hearted support in their struggle to of the conflict, while agree-end the Turkish occupation ing that further concessions support in their struggle to of northern Cyprus and to will be needed on the Turkish restore the unity and inde- side if a solution is to be pendence of the Cyprus reached, and that interrepublic. For him, it seems, national pressure has a part the Cyprus issue has a much higher priority than for his fear Conservative predecessors, advent may actually make a who were more interested in solution less likely by getting Greece into the EEC and re-integrating her forces to hide from themselves the with Nato.

seize the remainder of the island, at least long enough for the international community to react and impose a ceasefire. Essemially, what Greek

Cypriots are expecting from Papandreou is that he will make enough of a nuisance of himself in Nato to persuade other Nato countries, and particularly the United States, to put pressure on Turkey to alter her policy on Cyprus. In vain does one point out that in the last resort, Turkey is more vital to Nato strategy than Greece. assert. That was already no more than a dream, or a slogan, for most Greek Cypriots even before the coup of 1974 and the night-mare that followed.

No. Greek Cypriots will to Nato strategy than Greece. The Cypriot reply is that Nato will not want, or need, to lose either. Turkey, they say, especially under its present military regime, is wholly dependent on the mare that followed.

No, Greek Cypriots will wholly depend

Yet independent observers to play in producing these, fear that Papandreou's

But how can Papandreou help the Cypriots in practice? I put that question to Greek Cypriot leaders of various factions during a visit last month. None of them, I found, was under the illusion that northern Cyprus can be "liberated" from the Turks by force, with or without fact that greater flexibility is needed on their side too.

The Greek Cypriots in directly confirm this when they complain that previous Greek governments allowed themselves to be used as an instrument of international pressure for Greek Cypriot concessions, and rejoice that Papandreou seems unlikely fact that greater flexibility is



Cyprus: a brief chronology 1571 Turkish conquest

1878 Turkey cedes Cyprus to Britain 1955-59 Greek Cypriot struggle for "enosis" with Greece 1960 Cyprus-becomes independent republic. 1963-64 Makarios amends constitution: Turkish Cypriots withdraw into 1974 Greek-officered National Guard overthrows Makarios

Turkey Intervenes and occupies northern Cyprus Greek Cypriots flee to south, Turkish Cypriots to north Makarios returns
1975 Turkish Cypriots proclaim "federated state"
1977 Makarios and Denktas agree on guidelines for federal solution

1980-82 Renewed intercommunal talks make very slow progress

tion through the intercommunal talks, is being talks, chaired by the dynamic careful to avoid any action which would enable the Turks to claim that he had sabotaged the talks. Last week he unexpectedly summoned President Spyros Kyprianou of Cyprus to

Both sides tend to think that they have already made as many concessions as can reasonably be

expected . . .

Athens for further consul-tations in advance of his own by force, with or without Greek help. Many do consider, however that it is important to strengthen their defences so that they can resist any Turkish attempt to the chance of reaching a concessions, and rejoice that by can rejoice that by concessions, and rejoice

intercommunal UN representative Senor Hugh Gobbi, at any rate until April or May to produce clear progress towards a solution.

As in any difficult nego-

tiations, both sides tend to think that they have already made as many concessions as can reasonably be expected of them, and that now it is up to the other party to respond. The Greek Cypriots stand astonished at their own moderation in accepting the principle of a bi-regional federation, and are unim-pressed by the Turkish acceptance of Dr Waldheim's "evaluation", put forward last October, which included the suggestion that nego-tiations on the territorial issue should start "on the basis of a line drawn so that the area under Greek Cypriot jurisdiction was at least 70 reasons per cent". This would mean a the arriving Turkish zone substantially in 1974.

smaller than at present, but still much larger than the THE TIMES DIARY



hoppers in Holborn today will see the wool pulled before their eyes at blinding speed. A 111 stitches a minute, and in one blinding speed. A 11,000 ounces of wool, equivalent to the fleeces of 85 sheep.

She also records from to the fleeces of 85 sheep.

ing a demon-stration of high run up four leg-warmers, a 14ft velocity knitting by Gwen Mat-thewman, who wields the fastest an elephant.

clicking needles known.

point out, the top price is less than half the £250 the London Symphony Orchestra is charging for a gala attended by the Prince and Princess of Wales. The met in an otherwise deserted, moonlit field outside Lima to do battle with Camerounian sor-cerers who, they claimed, were using black magic to prejudice Peru's chances of winning the World Cup in Spain this summer. The captain of the Peruvian squad, a faith-healer called Isidoro Samaniego Dios, reported:
"Some of us fainted, others collapsed from exhaustion, but

These are the code-breakers and signal interceptors who kept Churchill's war cabinet informed of German and Italian moves, including Hitler's attack on Russia, long before they happened. Fifty-eight veterans will attend.

including Tom Normanton, Conservative MP for Cheadle. The guest of honour at the celebratory lunch will be Brigadier L.A.W. (Laurie) New, deputy director of military intelligence, who will toast the Y Service. The response will come from Brigadier B. A. H. Parritt, present director of the Intelligence gods for students, and, the RPO Corps.

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The old stagers have amazing The old stagers have amazing stories to tell, our PHSpy says. He hopes to do some useful interception on the day, being disappointed not to have an official invitation. He was a "Headache Operator" during the war, feeding HQ with intercepted Axis messages from a station in Malta.

ist ever would.

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friends in the right (ie,

wrong) places. So the police

chief opens a (bogus) investi-

disappearance and she visits

prize for Jane Austen and her Art in 1940. This year she shares it with Annabelle Terhune, the American who edited the letters of Edward Fitzgerald. The prize is for historical or critical work about English literature by women of any nationality, with preference, because of the orig-inal endowment, given to work concerning Byron, Shelley or

Lascelles, though, returned to the winners' lists with The Storyteller retrieves the past, published in 1980 and devoted to the historical fiction of Scott, Stevenson and Kipling.

Yates and Co.



helped write the memoirs of Edward VII's chauffeur, C. W. Stamper.

Stamper.
Yet Jack Smithers, whose biography of Dornford Yates is published by Hodder and Stoughton on Monday, warms me not to believe a word of it. In 1913, when Stamper's sensationally entitled but otherwise bland What I know was published, Cecil William Mercer, who adopted the pen-name Dornford Yates, was "still a no-account, out-of-the-way, underemployed barrister with no more than a spectator's knowledge of cars, and only a couple of short stories published asserts that Yates in the Windsor Magazine."

had known the Palace, even through the tradesmen's through the tradesmen's entrance, "he was such a socia climber that we should never have heard the last of it." Lord Montagu unfortunately cannot yet support his assertion, which was based on research by his co-author, Patrick Macnaghten, who died last August. But yesterday he commented: "It is not the sort of thing we could possibly make up".

Smithers adds that if Merces

Goodbye sailor

The sale of HMS Invincible to Australia will bereave Durhan city, the Hall School in Swise Cottage, the Falkland Islands Association, sea cadets in Chorley and the Royal Family. The carrier had built up a formidable list of affiliations. The complete list also includes the British Life Insurance Association, the Light Infantry, Durham School CCF and the Sector Operations Cen-tre, RAF Buchan. The ship it also, of course, the pne to which Prince Andrew is attached as helicopter pilot.

Diary Quiz

Our weekly news quiz 1 Where did workers take up the burden?

2 Who made a long-term mis calculation? 3 Who provides an escape route for a prickly problem?

4 Who poured oil troubled waters? on our Answers here on Monday.

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the turnstile? If there is a rush for the turnstiles as a result of the forcible elevation of Bruce Page from the editorship of the New Statesman it is bound to be a mad one. That is the opinion, at any rate, of Peter Jenning and Can-Guardian, a much-maligned can-didate last time out. "Anyone who would subject himself to the

Who will we

see at

humiliation and indignities of applying for the editorship of the Statesman needs to be out of his mind", he told PHS yesterday. The staff's suspicion that Page's removal is preliminary to an attempt to turn the old Staggers and Natters into an SDP house journal is fervently denied by the Social Democrat board members. Graham C. Greene, the chairman, says he wants to continue "non-aligned, but rad-ical and left." Anthony Sampson says the journal has always been independent of party and re-assures the staff he will not be a

candidate himself. Page, whose enemies term him the Pol.Pot of British journalism, leaves at Great Turnstile two obvious staff candidates for the succession. Anna Coote, the deputy editor, would carry it by acclamation if it were left to the Bread and Marmite People's Front Peter Kellner, a pleasant person, would unfortunately fill the pages with graphs and charts, thus depressing circulation even further. They have thought of an SDP-style solution in which they would share the job.

will be standing, as candidate of the pro-literacy faction. Politi-cally he would keep the mag out of the hands of the SDP and restore it to Old Labour. He would, while rescuing it from the polytechnic doctrinal tendency. polytechnic doctrinal tendency, also refertilize the acreage of investigative journalism relieved with pictures of cooling towers which the paper has become. Other possible starters include Hugh Stephenson and John Torode of *The Guardian*. Non-

Alan Watkins of The Observer.

runners are Joe Rogaly of The Financial Times and David Watt of Chatham House. One certainty is that it will be a rough run. This is when Britain's political journalists get to know what political infighting is really like.

Shipwrecked

Who is Margaret Thatcher to rewrite Homer? In her speech to the engineers she spoke of Ulysses resisting the siren voices and bringing the ship safely home to harbour. As Robin Cook, Labour MP for Edinburgh Central Property of the control of the tral, points out in an early day motion he tabled yesterday, there was actually a shipwreck with the loss of all hands on Ulysses's way home, and when he reached Ithaca he could not use the harbour because his castle was occupied by Penelope's hostile

Over the moon

season. Agence France. Anen return coutch wil the played to I the return coutch will be played

An early football result: Peru Clairvoyants and Machetemen playing at home, and in the absence of their opponents, beat Cameroun Witchdoctors.

we finally overcame them."

London's orchestras are trying to

price the ticket touts out of business. The top price for

tickets for a Luciano Pavarotti

pala performance for the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra at the Albert Hall on April 13 will be £100. That will apply to boxes in the grand tier and the first six

rows in the arena which are, as

you might say, within spitting

distance of the stage.
On the other hand 1,000 seats at £2.50 each are reserved in the

Boxing clever

The Peruvians, armed with machetes, staves and birch rods,

> pricey tickets are, of course, quickly selling out. Open secret We have intelligence of intelli-

> gence. The Y Service of wartime days has its first reunion at the House of Commons on Monday.

Second win For the second time Mary Lascelles, former vice-principal and now honorary fellow of

Somerville College, is a winner of the Rose Mary Crawshay prize administered by the British Academy.

Lascelles previously won the

Has Lord Montagu of Beaulieu discovered a hitherto unsuspec-ted work of Doraford Yates, the creator of Berry and Co? In Home James: The Chauffeur in the Golden Age of Motoring, published earlier this month, Montagu

Meeting objections

From the Principal of Westfield

Sir, Dr Harry Judge is uncharac-

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years ago.

May I therefore contribute a

thought which, I dare to say, was not in people's minds in, say, the late 1950s but which I believe is

now a potent factor in our evolving society and (in particu-lar) in the field of higher

Within these two decades the

attitudes of young people, and particularly of those who move from school into higher education, have changed to become

extraordinarily egalitarian (for the want of a better word). There seems to me to be a positive force

nowadays towards a common culture, even towards a common

manner of speech and mode of dress. "Class" in the sense under-stood in my own adolescence is

consciously eschewed and cir-

It follows that the average sixth-former of the 1980s may not

be as interested as we might

otherwise expect in an environ-ment which appears (rightly or wrongly) to be outstandingly privileged.

On the whole I regret this, even if I have to accept it. I believe that the excellence for which the university world should strive

lies as much in the beauty of its

architecture, in the layout of its

gardens, in the quality of its living conditions, and in the intimacy between staff and stu-

dents as in pure academic achievement; and if Oxford, or indeed any other place, suffers from trying to be excellent in the large, the more's the pity.

Westfield College (University of

Sir, The Chief Constable of Kent

Yours faithfully,

BRYAN THWAITES,

London), Kidderpore Avenue, NW3. February 24.

Criminal statistics

From Dr Michael Levi

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Last year's harvest 1 the West was a good oneso we have not yet seen sharp upsurge in prices of e kind which happened in e early 1970s. But the stks on which we should ha to rely if bad weather pluces a cron failure here e being crop failure here e being, quite literally, ean up by Kremlin-imposed efficiency of Soviet farming, hat do we get out of this?

For farmers inhe Ameri-can heartland of for the grain exporting companies the attractions re obvious. The importance: their views has prevente President Reagan feeling at he can go back on the page he made during the 380 election campaign not) use a grain embargo of e kind which resident Carr imposed.

then againspie embargo was

nce again the Soviet Union in place of the American as turned to the West to supliers. That argument is take good its economic falres. For the third year in a sviet crisis of such greater ow the Russian harvest his tates has such a stranglehold tates has such a stranglehold being forced to use western in the world grain market

hem do so unless they are es of supply. Nor, if it were villing to show greater milieffectively policed, could an ary restraint around the embargo be evaded on the necessary scale for the Reports from the Sovi Soviets to get round it. The impracticality argument. always used as the first line of defence by those whose hearts are not in an issue, does not hold water.

> Nor does the idea that the Americans are just sticking to contracts which they must honour. The nature of em-bargoes imposed by governments for political reasons is that they interfere with nor-mal trade. If there is no trade to interfere with, there is no point in the embargo.

There have been two major issues of contention between the west and the Soviet Union over the past two years. They are the Russian invasion of Afghanistan and Soviet intervention in Poland. The western response to both has been feeble and has missed the one sanction that could have had an effect.

given the choice, to sacrifice goods from the west if it asked to pay a political price. The record does not show this. If used properly, the trade carrot-and-stick can work with the Russians. It One of therguments used certainly would have its greatest effect if based on the food production is a major

shortages to make even the Kremlin pause. Most of the grain needed for this year has probably

already been bought by the Russians. Their hectic activity in the world's gold and oil markets is a sure sign they have been spending heavily. Yet one thing we can be

sure of is that they will be back again. Central direction and good farming do not go together. The Soviet Union cannot persist with the delusion that they have bad luck with their harvests. It is chronic inefficiency in its agricultural sector from which they suffer, and that is not bad luck but bad management, and ruthless overspend-ing on defence rather than farming.

We ought not to be protecting the Soviet leaders from the consequences of their unwillingness to change from a warfare state to an agrarian one. The tumult on the oil market in the 1970's awakened us to the fact that raw materials are vital strategic weapons. No raw material is as vital as food and those western countries which have been able so easily to feed themselves have been to ready to forget that fact.

Constant sales of grain to the Russians are bad for us, It has been fashionable in the past to say that the Soviet Union is always prepared, given the choice, to sacrifice tries which have real problems feeding themselves suf-fer from Russia's self-inflicted socialist wounds; and bad for Russia because they postpone change. The Soviet Union knows perfectly well that its dependence on our that it wa sidestepped by food weapon, for Soviet so-other counies, who just sold ciety has changed enough for ness. We should show them the grain the Soviet Union the threat of severe food that we know that too.

PARENTS HAVE DUTIES TOO

and they are too irriton with those who feel tio who have expressed diay at the difficulties and judgment as representing methods or discipline. me special indictment of is country as a haven for uld beating. Parts of Gerustralia, New Zealand and ost of the United States still Factise it.

The judgment was more bout the rights of parents an it was about corporal o one should be denied the ight of education and that hen the State assumes the eaching burden, it must spect the right of parents to ensure such education hd teaching is in conformity ith their own religious and hilosophical convictions". arents who are Catholics are ntitled to have their children ught in conformity with

It is piont that the judg- are against corporal punish- altogether on the grounds ment of le European Court ment for their children are that it would be unfair to of Hum, Rights on the use entitled to have that convic- discriminate between parents of the ane or tawse in tion respected. It is not whose children had opted for schools hould come in the necessary for the parents to caning and parents whose week tt a Toxteth school prove if they could, as anti-children were opposed. But schools noud come in the necessary for the parents to caning and parents whose week it a Toxteth school prove if they could, as antihas be closed because of caning campaigners claim, this argument, too, is not the vience of nine and 10 that it produces fear and conclusive; it is awkward year olds. It is the resemble which destroy the teacher, not the pupils, who chance of establishing a rehave seen intimidated in lationship of trust and respect orities is no different from Mr Ian Martin

There and they are too and thereby inhibits or rights. mindits or ruins frequitly sink schools in the possibility of learning. A otherban areas. It would be great many well-educated natul therefore to feel some parents today emerged from the odd caning or strapping thatny vestige of discipline without ill effect. But a is siehow demeaning to the conviction against corporal inddual, and some sympat with teachers organizatio who have expressed aspect of human life and behaviour, namely the integccusions it may cause. It rity of the person, as the hi to be emphasized, there- Court puts it, and does denote fe, that the European Court a view which has obtained a d not find caning to be level of cogency, seriousness ture or inhuman or degrad- and cohesion, so that it treatment or punishment. deserves to be regarded with specifically refused to do respect as a philosophical it. And it would be quite conviction, it is more than a of proportion to regard mere view on teaching

The decision, which must be respected for its cogency any and Switzerland, Canada, in law and by reason of our respect for the treaty, nonetheless poses problems. The British Government, which is affected by the ruling just as are all European govern-ments, has argued that it preferred to phase out the use inishment and here the of caning as a consensus assoning of the Court is developed. That is still a ersuasive in the light of the respectable approach. The uropean Treaty on Human Lord Advocate Lord Mackay ights. Article 2 says that was surely exaggerating, as are the anti-caning campaigners, in arguing that a decision in favour of the two mothers could mean segregating schools into those which administer corporal punishment and those which did not. The concept of beating and non-beating schools is ludicrous. The campaigners argue, therefore, that the Government should simply peir beliefs and parents who outlaw caning in schools

coping with the different religious requirements in schools. (One of the practical difficulties at classroom level is that many teachers find their most troublesome pupils are those whose parents are most insistent that nobody should lay a hand on Johnny, though they may themselves, in anger, do just that. There is only one answer for this which is that the unruly child should be suspended from school or receive restricted privileges so that the parents has to cope with the problem of indiscipline which must largely have originated within the home.) And children must not be allowed back into school without the parents attending and being reminded of their responsibilities. The teachers organizations have a case here in arguing that there is a role for counsellors to come between the em-battled teacher and the embittered parent.

In accepting that the judgment is sound, one must regret that it might reinforce the secular fashion which denies too often that the individual must not only be responsible for his actions but must accept the penalties of actions that are anti-social or self-indulgent. It is a pity that the European Court could not accompany the right of a parent to protect their children from corporal punishment with a corresponding duty to bring up children in a disciplined enough way to make it more likely that they respect authority at school.

egal precedence

rom Mrs J. K. (undy r. The Reverend John Pollock lebruary 18) refers to the close sociation of both Lord Denning nd the Pollock family with the awyers' Christian Fellowship ormerly the Lawyers' Prayer

While interest and dispute may bntinue over legal longevity it is iteresting to note that this ellowship can claim an undisuted 130 years of active exist-nce. Our records contain the bref but intriguing bllowing bref but intriguing stracts from the diary of John lacGregor vho was one of the bunding menbers:

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Health data protection

From Mr Michael Rigby

Sir, Your otherwise very com-mendable article on computer applications in the Health Service your recent supplement on information technology (January 14) failed to identify the limitation to developments caused by the continuing lack of British legislation on data protection. This is of particular concern for computer applications in com-munity health services.

Unfortunately, in highlighting the pre-school child health project as an example of confidenciality architecture. dentiality problems, your feature contained misinformation. The Child Health Computing Committee acceded to a request from the British Medical Association that the computer programs completed in mid-1981 should be scrutinized by independent experts, and meanwhile prep-arations for trials were suspended. Such analysis showed that the programs were secure within pre-existing proposals for their use, without change. The British Medical Association has now approved implementation of trials, which should commence in

mains a major problem. Marcel Berlins, elsewhere in your sup-plement, emphasized the need for legislation to implement the main recommendations of the Lindop report and to bring Britain into line with the rest of Western Europe. In this context the particular sanctity of medical information needs recognition. It is also surprising that there is no overall National Health Service formal code of practice relating to confidentiality, though there is an honoured tradition of respecting confidential information.

In view of Government support for Information Technology Year it is to be hoped that a suitable data-protection Act will be passed by Parliament during the current session. At the same time, the forthcoming restructuring of the NHS provides opportunity for health authorities to introduce confidentiality and security protocols, recognized in employment contracts, concerning both manual and computer records. Yours faithfully,

MICHAEL RIGBY, Vice-Chairman, Child Health Computing Committee, Cheshire Area Health Authority, PO Box 41, However, lack of statutory Lightfoot Street, confidentiality safeguards re- Chester.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Grylls plan for industry loans

From the Secretary-General of the Committee of London Clearing Bankers

Sir, In his report on Michael Grylls's scheme for reducing industry's borrowing costs (February 19), your reporter, George Brock, correctly says that the banks are reserving their position until they know a great deal more about how the scheme would work. In view of the wider issues raised in the report, may I amplify this point a little?
The Grylls scheme appears

designed to reduce companies' annual debt repayments in two annual debt repayments in two distinct ways. One is by allowing interest to be paid on a net-of-tax basis. The other is by extending the term of years for which banks lend. The arguments involved are quite separate.

On the former point, I would only warn against excessive optimism about the amount of new investment that would follow from the ability to pay interest

from the ability to pay interest net, in view of all the other factors currently holding indus-

ractors currently holding industry back.

My main concern, however, is with the suggestion that companies are inhibited from investing, not just by the tax position, but also by the need to repay their bank debt too swiftly. The wildly misleading graph accompanying the report shows "typical repay-ment terms" of three years and "repayment under the Grylls plan" of seven years. The fact that companies can already borrow from their banks for

seven, 10 or even 20 years if they so wish is totally overlooked.

The report also gives further credence to the claim that German and Japanese companies are able to borrow for much longer periods than British ones. There is absolutely no justifi-cation for this claim. Indeed, Japanese bank lending actually has a much greater short-term component than British bank lending. Of course, Japanese banks often allow their short-term loans to be rolled over, but so do British banks. If the Government decides that

the present tax arrangements are inhibiting industrial investment, then by all means let them be changed. But that decision should be taken on its own merits, and not as the by-product of unin-formed criticisms of bank lending practices.

Yours faithfully. LESLIE PRIESTLEY, The Committee of London Clearing Bankers, 10 Lombard Street, EC3.

From Mr Ian Martin

Sir, You report (February 16) that members of the Home Affairs Race Relations and Immigration subcommittee were told during their recent visit to Bangladesh of "2,600 cases of fraud last year".

It is not clear from your report that these are the figures for "tax confessions" ie, the num-bers of wives and children falsely declared to the Inland Revenue for the purpose of claiming tax allowances. The subcommittee appears not to have been told how many of these alleged confessions related to people for whom entry had been sought, although they were not entitled to be admitted.

In giving evidence to the subcommittee we expressed the hope that the MPs would obtain this further information. We are certain that very many of the "tax confessions" relate to falsely declared wives and children for whom no attempt is made to obtain entry, and would therefore be quite wrong if your readers misunderstood the figures cited to be an estimate of immigration fraud rather than

Three other points should be made. First, where false tax claims were made, it was usually 15 to 20 years ago, by men who came to the United Kingdom from a country where the concept of personal income tax was unknown to them and whose illiteracy made them wholly dependent on the advice of

others. Second, child tax allowances of course no longer exist and some of those who made false claims have never earned enough to have benefited from the fraud. Third, since the entry clear-ance officers sometimes say that

they will admit younger children if older children are admitted to be "bogus", we believe that some parents in their desperation "confess" genuine children to be non-existent. Yours faithfully,

IAN MARTIN. General Secretary, Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants, 44 Theobalds Road, WC1. February 18.

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Yours faithfully,

Trinity College,

Cambridge, February 20.

NICHOLAS HOLGATE,

Specialized taste

From Mr Nicholas Holgate Sir, May I congratulate you on your "Great European Eaters"? Too few newspaper articles make me grit my teeth and then burst out laughing, but the laboured fastidiousness of your gourners does just that From M Courtine's comment (February 13) that English cooking "exists" to Herr von Paczensky's complaint (February 20) that fish dishes are spoilt by "that certain fishy spoilt by "that certain fishy taste", we have a glorious caricature of critical reviewing. I also liked the phrase "a Council scales. Your leader ignored the fact discovery which compels me to actually recommend it". The combination of esoteric delving

already this year established a new Joint Board of Clinical Nursing Studies course for operating-theatre nurses. This and independent organisations. Wandsworth Encouraged by the present February 20.

TV broadcasting by satellite

From the Chairman of the British **Broadcasting Corporation**

Sir, Television by satellite presents broadcasters with immense opportunities for services to the public. I agree with Lord Aylestone (February 24) that the potential for British industry is the potential for British industry is very great. If Britain does not enter the field in the very near future, that potential is never likely to be realised.

Up to now, I believe we and the IBA have disagreed about the urgency of our involvement. The BBC has, in the last few years, BBC has, in the last few years, consistently stated that television broadcasting by satellite was a development of great potential with which we wished to be associated. It is surely not surprising that the BBC should seek to be in the fore-front in developing new services to the public. We are set up by charter to provide a public service of broadcasting throughout the nation. As methods of broadcasting change it is only proper that ing change it is only proper that we should wish to be involved in extending that public service through new methods of distri-

The methods of financing such an involvement and the pro-grammes which might be offered are still very much open to discussion. Subscription is, in-deed, a new form of financing in this country, but it is well tried elsewhere and we see it as providing a sensible basis for the funding of one BBC satellite channel. It is a method which is in line with our policy of seeking to enhance the licence income upon which we rely for the bulk

our services. We believe we could provide a We believe we could provide a service for two channels, one of which would not be financed by subscription (and would be of far wider scope than "repeats"). We have said as much to the Home Office. Financing, complex though it may be, will, of course, be worked out against what Lord Aylestone properly refers to as Aylestone properly refers to as our "over-riding responsibility to the licence payer", but that responsibility cannot neglect the exciting opportunities presented by new and rapidly changing

evelopments. I should add that the BBC has never sought a monopoly in this field. If the companies and the IBA seek involvement, they will

From Air Vice-Marshal S. W. B.

Sir, in his article in today's issue (February 19) Mr David Watt rightly points out that the question, what kind of nuclear

for this important decision. Trident II (D5) will undoubtedly be a very advanced system when it becomes available at the end of this decade, but in my

nuclear forces.
Alternatives to Trident include

air-launched cruise missiles, submarine, surface ship and ground-launched cruise missiles, air-to-ground stand-off missiles listic missiles. Britain is not a superpower and does not need are part of Europe and a member of the Nato alliance.

Most of our armed forces are committed to the European theatre, so we must decide what nuclear weapons would be most appropriate as a continuing contribution to Nato nuclear forces in the 1990s and beyond. There should be no question of

We must, however, accept the harsh reality that in the unlikely event of the United States abrogating her commitments to deter a Soviet attack on Europe, including these islands, with nuclear/conventional/chemical weapons. If the United States believes that it needs more than

Opting out of the NHS

Sir, Your first leader (February 5) included certain generaliscomment

Hospital Group are, first, to act as watchdog over what might otherwise deteriorate into an uncontrolled development of private hospitals and, at all times, to preserve a working partner-ship between the NHS and the independent sector.

With over 10,000 nurses unemployed it is to be hoped that growth in the number of private hospitals will play a part in generating new job opportunities.
To date I have seen little
evidence to support the allegation
that private hospitals bribe or poach staff from the NHS; the majority of such hospitals are operated by organisations — such as Nuffield Nursing Homes Trust with its 32 acute units - whose policy it is to employ nursing staff on conditions identical to those detailed by the Whitley

that several training facilities already exist in the private sector. For example, NNHT has course is open to suitable candidates from both the NHS no doubt say so to the Home Office; and in turn their plans

Yours faithfully, GEORGE HOWARD, February 24,

of national concern that the use of the two forthcoming satellite broadcast channels should be allocated in the best interests of

costly and it should be rememexpressing its dismay at a new licence fee of £46 as against the sum of £50 for which it was so

proposal that it should operate also a subscription television service on a parallel satellite channel is therefore doubly disturbing. Such a venture would not only require both consider-able capital outlay and annual running costs but would introduce a new and highly speculative element into the delicate

system of BBC financing.

It is profoundly to be hoped that the full parliamentary debates for which Lord Aylestone is asking should take place before any Government decisions are

but with the ability to attack cities and industrial complexes if

United States who expressed surprise that Britain should be

nuclear strategy, the most suit-nuclear strategy, the most suit-able system to replace Polaris would be a modified version of Pershing 2, with three MIRV warheads and an extended range

to include Moscow. In effect an

equivalent of the Soviet SS-20,

but with superior performance.

The Pershing 2 is a mobile ballistic missile system with an accuracy greater than any other ballistic missile yet produced. The cost for, say, 50 missiles (150 warheads) has been estimated at about £800m and would be applied by 1008 Superior than the pershibited by 1008 Superior than 1008 Superior than

available by 1988. Such a system

would have both a strategic and theatre nuclear capability and

would be more appropriate to Britain's needs as a contribution

to Nato nuclear forces in the 1990s and beyond, and at a price

Finally, on the subject of training, there is often more

emotion than logic in any

discussion; it is necessary to remember the many people in this country (other than nurses)

who are trained at the state's

Is it seriously being said that anyone who has been trained by the state must only work for the

OLIVER ROWELL, Chairman,

15-17 Essex Street, WC2.

Mite of comfort

From Mrs C. E. Johnston

The Independent Hospital Group

Sir, Through the window envel-ope of a letter received today I saw "Refund of overpaid rates" and I toyed briefly with the idea

of, say, Monte Carlo on the proceeds — very briefly, for the

sum concerned turned out to be

60.01. But perhaps it was churlish of me not to welcome the news that I may either offset it against next year's rates, or (on com-

pletion of an application form

and payment of at least 121/2p

postage, of course) may even have the 1p refunded in full.

CHRISTINE E. JOHNSTON.

Wandsworth Common, SW18.

Yours faithfully,

18 Titchwell Road,

Yours faithfully,

The Lodge, Frensham Vale,

Lower Bourne.

February 19.

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Yours faithfully,

Limited, Rowell House,

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Farnham, Surrey.

STEWART MENAUL,

the situation so demanded.

Yours faithfully, NORMAN COLLINS, Mulberry House, Church Row, NW3, February 25.

should fail?

Britain's nuclear system

could deter similar attacks with one Trident submarine (128 force does Britain need as a replacement for the four Polaris submarines in the 1990s, appears to have divided those responsible

view prohibitively expensive for Britain. We have become mesme-rized by the idea that only submarine-launched ballistic. missiles, whatever the cost, are an acceptable replacement for our small Polaris force, which is our current contribution to Nato

and mobile ground-launched balsuperpower nuclear weapons. We

Britain renouncing unilaterally her ability to maintain a nuclear capability.

Government the private sector is constantly examining additional ways in which it can help with the further education of nurses.

From the Chairman of the Independent Hospital Group, Limited

ations worthy of more detailed Two of the many functions performed by the Independent

ornce; and in turn their plans and proposals will become part of the public debate which has already been going on for some time. But we shall miss golden opportunities for both industry and broadcasting if action is deferred to allow interminable discussion.

Chairman, BBC, Broadcasting House, W1.

From Mr Norman Collins Sir, Lord Aylestone, chairman of the ITA from 1967-75 and an elder statesman of broadcasting, as well as of Westminster, politics is to be thanked for his most timely and important letter of February 24. It is indeed a matter

The BBC, with its many other unavoidable commitments and obligations, certainly cannot be regarded as a suitable candidate for the operation of both these channels. Even a channel merely of "repeats" which the BBC is advocating is still bound to prove bered that it is a matter only of weeks since the corporation was

urgently asking.
In face of this, the BBC's

and your readers should be aware of false statistical gods. Since the number of cases of thefts from 10,000 warheads, deliverable by three different systems, to deter the Soviet Union from attacks on Europe or the United States in the 1990s and beyond, by what logic do we conclude that we

the person is twice that of robbery in 1980 (report, February 16) it follows that the same numerical increase for thefts from the person and for robbery will produce double the percentage increase for the latter than for the former. Consequently, it seems likely that there has been warheads) when the consequences of firing just one missile would be suicidal if deterrence no change whatever in this type of violence in Avon and Somer-

Unfortunately, the same can-not be said for the other areas, where both robbery and theft from the person increased. This What Britain needs is a theatre nuclear force capable of attack-ing military targets in the Soviet Union under a realistic strategy, example does indicate that it is essential to use numerical as well as percentage changes in criminal statistics: a point that should be borne in mind by those who fail to observe that indecent asssaults I have recently been discussing this problem with experts in the upon females have declined by more than the rise in the number considering the Trident system at of rapes. all. In the course of examining alternatives, on the assumption that Britain adopted a realistic

Yours sincerely, MICHAEL LEVI, Lecturer in criminology University College, Cardiff, PO Box 78, Cardiff. February 17.

Enduring Latin

From Mr Kenneth Wellesley Sir, I do not hold it against the author of "Finis Coronat Opus" (February 13) that, while paying fit tribute to the Oxford Latin Dictionary now at the point of completion and prophesying that it will be the last of such lexica, he does not make a slight bow in the direction of an even grander

enterprise.

If he travels to Munich and passes through the noble entrance hall of the Residenz, he will discover on an upper floor the elegant and practical head-quarters of the international Thesaurus Linguae Latinae, a work far more comprehensive than the modest and excellent Oxford Latin Dictionary, though written in the language of eternity. But the great work is only half completed. In hundreds of boot boxes he will find many thousands of fiches awaiting the composition of articles covering the later letters of the alphabet. No first-class Latin scholar could do himself, herself or international scholarship a great-er service than by spending two years in the Residenz as a lexicographer; and if youth or age opportunity schemes, academic redundancy payments, learned academies or enlightened benefactors (they still exist) were instrumental in supporting such a scholar in decent poverty, this would be a patronage far su-perior to Lord Chesterfield's. Yours sincerely, KENNETH WELLESLEY, 125 Trinity Road,

Sea of troubles

Edinburgh.

February 20.

From Mr Crispian Cartwright Sir, To commend her inflexibility the Prime Minister likens herself to Ulysses (report, February 24). This may be jolly for her, but the comparison is ominous for the rest of us. For while it is indeed true, as Mrs Thatcher told the Engineering Employers' Feder-ation, that the wily mariner "came safely home to harbour," every schoolboy knows that his entire fleet and all his men were lost on the voyage. Yours faithfully. CRISPIAN CARTWRIGHT. 5 Pump Court, Temple, EC4. February 24.

The Queen inspecting New Zealand coins during the Trial of the Pyx yesterday,

Master coins a controversial phrase

By Tony Samstag

"Be good enough to discover as quickly as possible what Crom-well has been doing to the coinage."

It is only a slight exaggeration

It is only a sight exaggeration to observe that at this point a ripple of consternation passed through the select band of the truly knowlegeable in such matters, among them Miss Susan Hare, librarian to the Goldsmiths' Company If arrows is careble of

Company, If anyone is capable of snapping to attention while seated it is Miss Hare, whose bearing is rarely less than military in a most kindly sort of way. And snap she did.

The visit of Charles II, you see, has never been proven. Officially, the last known visit of a reigning monarch was 58 years earlier, when James I attended in 1611.

Not that the Queen's Remem-

York, paid \$17,000, or £9.513, (estimate \$15,000.\$20,000) for a hanging scroll of a buddha in ink and colour on paper by the same

Not that the Queen's Remembrancer, resplendant in his regalia, black cap, silver wig and all, was aware of the muted controversy he had provoked, or possibly would have cared. This was, after all, a kind of jamboree, celebrating the 700th Trial of the Pyx since Edward I signed the first known with in 1282. What are a mere 58 years out of 700?

The Senior Master of the Supreme Court, which is the office Master Ritchie performs when he is not wearing his office Master Ritchie performs when he is not wearing his carried on charming his andience, which included, he noted,

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CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
February 25: The Queen this
morning attended the opening of
the Trial of the Pyx at
Goldsmiths' Hall and was re-Goldsmiths rian and was re-ceived upon arrival by the Right Hon the Lord Mayor (Sir Christopher Leaver) and the Prime Warden of the Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths (the

Lord Astor of Hever).

After winessing the opening of the Trial by The Queen's Remembrancer (Mr J. Ritchie), Her Majesty viewed a demonstruction. stration of weighing, measuring and assaying, met those con-cerned with the Trial, and honoured the Prime Warden with her presence at luncheon.

The Hon Mary Morrison, Mr

Robert Fellowes and Squadron Leader Adam Wise were in

Forthcoming marriages

Sir Jan Collett, Bt, and Miss P. J. Hawkins

and Muss r. J. mawkins
The engagement is announced hetween lan, only son of the late David Seymour Collett and Mrs James Miskin, and stepson of His Honour Judge James Miskin, QC, and Philippa, only daughter of Mr and Mrs James R. I. Hawkins, of Preston St Mary, Suffolk, Mr P. Herbert and Miss N. Furnival Jones

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The engagement is announced between Philip, son of Mr and Mrs Victor Herbert, of Court Cottage, Chipping Warden, Banbury, Oxfordshire, and Nikki, daughter of Sir Martin and Lady Furnival Jones, of The Little House, Oakley, Bedford. Mr J. A. B. Buchan and Miss F. J. Norris The engagement is announced

between Bruce, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. W. R. Buchan, of Adel, Leeds, and Felicite, the youngest daughter of Mrs U. Norris, of Brechin, Angus.

Mr E. V. Cohen and Wiss R. J. Hyman

The engagement is announced between Elliot Victor, son of Mrs Renee Cohen and the late Mr Leslie Cohen, of Cheadle, Cheshire, and Roselyn Joy, daughter of Mr and Mrs Louie Hyman, of Prestwich, Manchest-

The engagement is announced between Michael Sean, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. A. Dobbs, of Charlton Musgrove, Somerset, and Lisa Anne, youngest daugher of Mr and Mrs B. H. Kaplan, of Jacksonville, Florida, United States.

Mr N. F. Gordon and Miss R. J. M. Care

The engagement is announced between Nigel, son of Mr and Mrs W. E. J. Gordon, of Marlborough, Wiltshire, and Joanna, daughter of Professor and Mrs C. G. Caro of Putney.

The engagement is announced between Robin Lister, son of Commander and Mrs L. T. Hickson, of Horsington, Somer-set, and Catharina Magdalene Helen, daughter of Dr and Mrs Stibe, of Cambridge,

Major R. J. Jackson and Mrs P. A. Wright

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The engagement is announced between Robert J. Jackson, The Royal Anglian Regiment, and Patricia A. Wright, of Ashill, Norfolk. Sept 8000 F

Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester will visit the Greater Manchester Will visit the Greater Manchester Police Training School, Sedgley Park, Prestwich, and the East Lancashire Home for Disabled Ex-Serviceman at Broughton House, Salford, on March 25.

Prince and Princess Michael of Kent will attend a gala perform-ance of The Pirates of Penzance on May 18, 1982 at the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, in aid of KIDS.

A memorial service for Colonel Sir Douglas Glover will be held at St Margaret's, Westminster, at noon today.

A memorial meeting for Miss M.
A. Davidson will be held at the
University Church of St Mary the
Virgin, Oxford, today at 3.

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Group Captain Andrew Willan will take place at 2.15 pm on Monday, March 22, in Salisbury Cathedral.

Mr J. M. N. Newall and Miss S. P. M. Fowle

The engagement is announced The engagement is announced between Mark, fourth son of Mr and Mrs Stephen Newall, of Rowaleyn, Rhu, Dunbartonshire, and Sharon, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Fowle, of Chanticleer, Guildford, Surrey.

Mr D. N. Odling and Miss M. J. S. Harvey

The engagement is announced between David, only son of the late Mr G. C. Odling and of Mrs J. L. Odling, of Ash, Somerset, and Margaret, younger daughter of the late Colonel J. S. Harvey and of Mrs N. M. Harvey, of Thornham, Hunstanton, Norfolk.

Mr D. A. Roper and Miss S-J. Prior

The engagement is announced between David, eldest son of Mr and Mrs T. A. Roper, of Montreal, Canada, and Sarah-Jane, daughter of the Rt Hon James and Mrs Prior, of Brampton Old Hall, Beccles, Suffolk.

Mr L. F. Wright and Miss A. C. M. Sandes

The engagement is announced he engagement is ampounced between lan FitzGibbon, son of Mr J. F. Wright, of Poole, Dorset, and Mrs A. M. Gaskell, of Winsford, Somerset, and Alison Catherine Mary, younger daugh-ter of Colonel and Mrs A. H. W. Sandes, of Farnham, Surrey.

Marriages

Mr C. C. Hardwick III and Miss K. C. Hanson

A service of blessing was held on Thursday at Chelsea Old Church, after the marriage of Mr C, Cheever Hardwick III and Miss Karya Christy Hanson, The Rev C. E. Leighton Thomson offi-ciated.

A reception was held at Claridge's hotel.

Mr R. D. Heron and Miss A. M. R. Griffith-Jones and Miss A. M. R. Grinth-Jones
The marriage took place on
Saturday, February 20, at Chelsea Old Church, of Mr Russell
Heron, son of Mr and Mrs A.
Heron, and Miss Anne GriffithJones, elder daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs L. R.
Griffith-Jones. The Rev C. E.
Leighton Thomson officiated.
A reception was held at the

A reception was held at the Basil Street Hotel. Mr R. C. B. Letts

The marriage took place on Saturday, February 20, at Christ-church, Wanstead, between Mr Robert Letts, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. C. B. Letts, and Miss Deepthi Wickremasinghe, only daughter of the late Dr Frank Wickremasinghe and Mrs Wickre-masinghe.

Church news

Resignations and retirements
The Rev E N Bath, Vicar of Charing
Heath with Egerton and Parish Priest
of Pluckley, diocess of Canlierbury, to
retire on March 31.
The Rev D C S Bowier, Vicar of
Lydbrook, diocese of Gloucester, to
resign on March 31.
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Lydbrook, diocese of Gloucester, to
resign on March 31.
Coving the Coving resigned on February 15.
The Ven J Mayles, Archdeacon of Swindon, diocese of Bristol, to retire on July 31.
The Rev Preb T R Owen, Prebendary of Exeter Cathedral, diocese of Exeter, resigned on February 18 and is to be seen to be s

Royal Photographic Society

The following awards for 1981 have been announced by the council of The Royal Photographic Society:

graphic Society:

Progress medal: Mr Norman Parkinson: Hood medal: Mr Freddle Rued
Hodman medal: Marian Huston:
Weinderson medal: Mr Harbon Huston:
Weinderson medal: Mr Clifford
Mariles: Fenton medal: Mr Clifford
Morris: Fenton medal: Mr Clifford
Morris: Homorary fellowships: Mr
Charles E. Brown. Mr Jack A. Fairfax
Charles E. Brown. Mr Jack A. Fairfax
Kenneth G. Moreman and Dr Guy W.
W. Stryans.

University news

The Right Rev J.A.T. Robinson, MA, PhD, DD (Cambridge), Fellow, Dean of Chapel and lecturer in theology of Trinity College, Cambridge, has been appointed to the Bampton lectureship for 1984.

Science and Engineering Research Council: £97,694 to Provessors & F Kirkbright, PA Payne and M 8 Beck as an initial grant for equipment after the recognition of the department of instrumentation and analytical science as an ERK Center for instrumentation

HM Government

Luncheon

Lord Trefgarne, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a Arians, was host yesterday at a luncheon given at 1 Carlton Gardens in honour of Professor Hans-Joachim Boehme, Minister for Higher and Technical Education, German Democratic Republic.

Reception University of Chicago Alumni

Professor Sir Peter Swin Dyer, FRS, was the guest of honour at a reception given by the University of Chicago Alumni Association yesterday evening at London House. The guests were received by Sir Robert Shone,

Dinners

Manchester Literary and Philo-sophical Society Mr Christopher Tugendhat, Vice-President of the Commission of the European Communities, was the guest of honour at a dinner the guest of honour at a dinner given by the Manchester Literary And Philosophical Society at Manchester University last night. Mr D. G. Wilson, president of the society, was in the chair and among the other guests was the chairman of the Greater Manchester County Council.

The deputy Master of the Society of Apothecaries of London, Mr Guy Blackburn, assisted by the Senior Warden, Dr T. D. Whittet, and the Junior Warden, Sir Peter Tizard, entertained members of the livery and their guests of the livery and their guests of the livery and their guests of the livery and their guests. the livery and their guests at dinner at Apothecaries' Hall yesterday. Those present included:

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**Tofessor Sir Idris Foster, Dr D B B

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frey-Turner, Sir Ross Stainton, Mr

an Jackson, Dr J F Fisher, Dr R

straard, Colonel F G Nelid, Mr B J

dinpson, Dr M P W Godfrey,

**Tofessor Jain Macintyre, Dr K W

licholis Palmer, Sir Maurice Dorman,

ir Reulnald Murley, Mr Anthony J

lurley and Professor J R Garreit.

Like the best man at a wedding feast, the Queen's. Remembrancer is bound by tradition to wax ever so slightly jocular in his capacity as indge (technically, he "presides") at the Trial of the Pyx, the ancient ceremony at which a jury drawn from members of the Goldsmiths' Company tests the size, weight and purity of British coins manufactured by the Royal Mint during the previous year.

At Goldsmiths' Hall in the City of London yesterday Master John Ritchie went one better and madvertantly stirred the murky backwaters of history into a veritable maelstrom.

His charge to the jury was, as was appropriate, suitably wry but less than uproarious. Acknowledging the presence of the Queen, the first time in more than 300 years that a reigning monarch had attended the Trial of the Pyx, Master Rirchie began: "My charge to you will doubtless appear somewhat flat because we are all already supercharged by her Majesty's presence with us today.

"Sovereigns often used to attend this trial, usualy presiding over it. But it was 1669 when the last one did. He was Charles II and I wonder what his charge to the jury was. It has not been recorded but it probably was addressed in short terms such as

Chinese art developing

England holds chess lead

By Harry Golombek, Chess Correspondent

into a healthy market

during the previous year.

Needlemakers' Company
The Lord Mayor and the Lady
Mayoress, accompanied by the
Sheriffs, were the guests of
honour at the annual livery
disparant honour at the annual liver dinner of the Needlemakers dinner of the Needlemakers' Company held yesterday at the Mansion House. The Master and Mrs J. E. C. Bailey and the Wardens and their ladies received the Guests. The speakers were the Lord Mayor, the Master, Sir Ieuan Maddock, Sir Martin Wilkinson and Mr J. A. Miller.

Service dinners

Lieutenants' Greenwich Course Lieutenants' Greenwich Course
Admiral Sir Henry Leach, First
Sea Lord, and Admiral Sir James
Eberle. Commander-in-Chief
Naval Home Command, were the
guests of honour at a mess
dinner held yesterday at the
Royal Naval College, Greenwich
to commemorate the twentyfirst
anniversary of the Lieutenants'
Greenwich Course.

HQ RAF Support Command
Air Marshal Sir Michael Beavis,
AOC-IN-C RAF Support Command, and members of Brampton
Park officers' mess, RAF Brampton, held a dinner yesterday. The
guests included The High Sheriff
of Cambridgeshire, Mr W.
Correlli Barnet, Air Commodore
D. M. Scrimgeour and Colonel
James M. Rhodes, Jur, USAF,
Group Captain R. Langstaff
presided.

Memorial service

A sule of contemporary Chinese paintings at Christie's in New York on Wednesday totalled. \$154,330 (£83,421), with 22 per cent bought in. The pictures, dating from 1950 onwards, were in traditional style, some on paper and others on silk, and included landscapes, portraits and flower studies. Mr R. H. Maiogot A memorial service for Mr Rodney Honor Maingot was held yesterday at the Priory Church of St Bartholomew the Great. Father Christopher Smith offidating from 1950 onwards, were in traditional style, some on paper and others on silk, and included landscapes, portraits and flower studies.

Prices were often surprising, with acknowledged masters such as Ol Baishl and Zhanh Daqian remaining firm, while items by living, artists realized prices suggesting daring in a young but potentially healthy market.

Ellsworth, the New York dealer, paid \$37,400, or £20,216, (estimate \$40,000-\$50,000) for an album of eight leaves depicting assorted flowers and insects by Ol Baishl (1863-1957) and the Chinese Gallery of Art, New ciated and the Rev Arthur Brown was robed. Mr Roger Maingot read the lesson and Mr Henry Thompson gave an address.

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Defenders'

Memorial A memorial stone will be unveiled in the cloisters of Westminster Abbey at 4.00 pm on Thursday, March 25, 1982, in memory of all those who, in the face of violence, have given their lives in the service of the Crown to defend freedom, justice and peace since 1945. Those wishing to attend are invited to apply for tickets to: The Deputy Registrar, the Chapter Office, 20 Dean's Yard, Westminster Abbey, London SWIP 3PA, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope, by Friday, March 12.

Latest wills

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diaries seem to mark only Bank holidays in Scotland. Yes, certainly there are — in fact every day can be a holiday of some kind if you know your days properly. Here are just a few of

There was little change in the leading positions after round four in the Western European Zonal Chess Tournament at Marbella, in Spain.

The English player, Jonathan Mestel, still enjoys the sole lead with the excellent score of 3 out of 4 after drawing with the black pieces against the Dutch master, Ligterink. John Nunn remains in second place with 2th points after a rather dull draw with the Caro-Kann defence against Mark Hebden.

Hebden. Ligterink and Stean follow with 2 points each. Stean drew with Rivas (Spain), but that was an exciting game with the result depending on some remarkable end-game play.

Short lost to Van der Wiel in a game that hinged on some end-

which is traditionally devoted to family quarrels. In the afternoon we see Violetta, the wronged sweetheart, return to stab Esteban through the heart for his treachery, though she is to learn in Act IV that he had only done it to protect his friend Rodrigo. In the grand finale the whole family goes out to a local restaurant for dinner and all the children fall asleep at the table.

Stormy Monday. A black American festival, as commemorated in the old blues of the same name. "They call it stormy Monday, but Tuesday's just the same; yeah, they call it stormy Monday. but Tuesday's just the same". It is a lament by American blacks for all the

At just past the halfway stage in this final event, two English players, Mestel and Nunn, look to have excellent chances of qualifying for the Interzonal and a third, Stean, is not without chances of gaining the remaining qualifying place. Moreover . . . Miles Kington

Many readers who enjoyed ing the first lines of blues making pancakes this last verses—time which, if Shrove Tuesday have written properly used, could have to ask me if there are any other days in the year they can look forward to, as their diaries seem to make their diaries seem to make the couls are the sonly artists. Americans by 10 years, and there might now be American soul artistes on the moon.

game tempi and since Van der Wiel still has an adjourned game to finish against Rivas it is probable that the Dutch master will join Nunn in second place with 2½ points. Rivas has 1½ points.

points, with two adjourned games. One of those is against Hebden and that looks to be lost for the English player.

The last two places are occupied by Short with 1 point and Hebden with 1/2 and one

adjourned game.

good old British custom celebrated once every 40 years. On Sheffield Wednes-day all the inhabitants of Sheffield come out dressed in facthers and notles garch in feathers and motley garb, in an attempt to get Brian Clough to come and manage one of their football teams. There is no known cure. (Also, Ash Wednesday, the day on which it is traditional to give up smoking for Lent.)

so unsure that no one quite so unsure that no one quite knew if it was Monday or Thursday, and loyal subjects were given the choice. Other little known examples are Wembley Friday, Sundry Tuesday, Thirsty Saturday and Dingangle Sunday time spent fruitlessly repeat- and Pinespple Sundae.

to fill available work-time" and Friday looks, like being the next victim. Already Friday lunch-time starts at about 12 and ends about 3. People are starting to think that it is hardly worth going back to the office at 3. Traffic jams to the country are starting at about 2 on Friday afternoons. Hence the long good Friday. (Also Nancy Friday: the day in the US on which gays are allowed to do anything, and I mean anything. Well, for

that almost every tribe on earth suffers from the belief that something exciting will happen on Saturday night if only one dresses up colourfully and stays up late. (Television companies enjoy the same delusion.) Science can find no factual evidence for this belief, but then, when did you last find a scientist out having a good time on Saturday night?
Well, then. Personally, I don't think you can beat roaming the streets at 1 am on a Sunday morning, looking for a non-existent taxi home in the rain, trying to remember the names of the people with you and being rather aware that five years

OBITUARY MR NIKOLAY ATDREYEV Studies in Russin history and literaure

Mr Nikolay Efremych to the notice of Elizabeth Andreyev, one of he most Hi, then Professor of Slavoversatile Slavists in Ingland, who died on February 25, was born in St Petersturg on March 13 1908 and hought up in Tallinn (Estonia) where both his parentswere school-teachers.

His early promise working a place at the Charles IV University in Prague, perhos the most outstanding cene for all branches of S scholarship between d wars. Holding one of the covered President Masary scholarships he studie under such eminent teacher: as Murko, Weingart, Kizevet-ter and Niederle, and made medieval Russia his special-

His close connection with the Kondakov Institute, the foremost centre for research in medieval Slav culture, began as early as 1931; he was its librarian from 1934 and as acting Director during the war years managed to keep the institute going under great difficulties. On obtaining his doctorate in 1933 he became a Lecturer on Russian history and litera-ture at the Russian Free

University in Prague.
Though Andreyev took no part in politics this was learned enough, when the Russians occupied Prague at the end of the war, for him to be deported as a doubtful character to a camp in East Huddle Comment of the character to a camp in East Huddle "the Master of the Mint . . . in full fig". Sir Geoffrey Howe, better known as Chancellor of the Exchequer, beamed. Germany, from which he was released only some three years later. Return to Prague was out of the question. Fortunately his name came

MR GEORGE SAVA

Master Ritchie continued his charge to the jury, which had before it 2,758 gold and silver and 32,096 cupro-nickel coins of the United Kingdom, 13 silver and 60 cupro-nickel coins of New Zealand, "and of course the 34 silver coins of the Queen's own Maundy Money", to a total value of £152,000.

All of them carried a portrait of her Majesty, and his personal favourite was the most modern, done in 1968 by Mr Arnold Machin for the new decimal coinage. Mr George Savage, who died in Colchester on February 18 aged 72, was one of this

new representative of the sove-rigu should appear. In a dream I once experienced the thought that perbaps it was my duty as her remembrancer at some stage to remind the Queen to have a new portrait made for the coinage, but nowhere could I discover the protocol to be followed.

"Needless to say. I awoke in a

success with the Dictionary of Ceramic Terms (with Harold Newman); Dictionary of 19th Century Antiques and

Como Mr E. D. Weekes, the former Test cricketer, who is 57.

Master Ritchie continued his

"One of the matters I have never been able to discover is when and at whose suggestion a new representative of the sove-

Birthday today

Lord Bridge of Harwich, 65; Sir James Goldsmith, 49; Dr B. J. Greenhill, 62; Major Sir Derrick Gunston, 91; Professor Eric Turner, 71.

Latest, appointments

Latest appointments include:
Captain P. J. Symons, RN to be
Commander British Navy Staff
and Naval Attaché, Washington,
and United Kingdom National
Liaison Representative to
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Attantic (SACLANT), in June, in
the rank of rear-admiral, in
succession to Rear-Admiral J. B.
Hervey.

Professor Andrew F. Walls and the Hon Caroline Douglas-Home to be members of the board of trustees of the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland.

Mr S. W. Hockey housemaster at Marlborough College, to be headmaster of Christ College, Brecon, in succession to Dr J. B. Cook, who is to be headmaster of Epsom College.

Mr Bernard Theophilus "BT" succeeded him on circles in which he moved as With the deprecasion with "BT") died on February 10. His long pre-eminence in cold-store design and construction spanned the birth and development of the convenience-foods society. He was usually regarded as the inventor of the modern cold-store, and his firm, Smith & Partners Ltd, designed and contructed more than 75 per cent of the entire cold-storage volume existing

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ritish subject in 1955, was pade a member of Magdalene college in the same year, a nent of Slavonic Studies a year later, and Reader in Russian Studies in 1973. His contribution to Russian stu-dies in the university was immense. His lectures and minars were always given n Russian (he was slow to aster the English language) the great advantage of the dents. The catholicity of interests, ranging from lieval ikons to contempor-Soviet literature, and his clopedic memory made a particularly valuable

tor of post-graduate rch. He had published in his Prague years on aspects of Russian tion; it was a particu-isfaction to him in mu later ears to take his place agair s a Slavist of internation repute and to have his we accepted for publication in various Soviet Jearnes urnals.

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His international reputation was established by his books on English, French and German pottery and porcelain, but his work included scholarly studies of glass, bronzes, jade, interior decoration and French decor-ative art, and valuable contributions to the history and identification of fakes and forgeries and the craft of restoration. Porcelain forgeries and the craft of restoration. Porcelain through the Ages, continuously in print for 25 years, was probably the most widely acclaimed of his books, but many were published in America and in French, German, Italian, Dutch, Spanish, Yugoslavian and Czechoslovakian translations.

Czechoslovakian translations. Savage succeeded, extraordinary degree combining scholarship wit, and depth of relimith breadth of vision. In the last 10 years of his life George Savaga made something of a speciality of the writing of dictionaries. His first, The Dictionary of Antiques, was published in 1970 and became a best-seller, and he built on this mising opinions upon subject, made him the liest of companions, described himself as "d tations", and it is those agree with that descrip

MRS SARA THOMAS with Ernest Milton as Lettes and Vivienne Benny (who would be a last)

Mrs Sara (Sally) Thomas, widow of the theatre direct-or, Stephen Thomas, who died in hospital on February 22, aged 71, was exceedingly

talented as actress, musician, lyrical poet, and writer.

Looking like a preRaphaelite portrait, with her beautiful auburn hair, she acted under her maiden named of Sara Jackson. Trained first as a musician, and then at the Embassy School of Acting where she won a scholarship and was taught by Barbara Couper, she appeared at the Birming-ham Repertory Theatre in 1941 (Margaret Leighton was her understudy) and played Ophelia to the Hamlet of George Hayes, and Perdita at Stratford-upon-Avon in 1942. She was Perdita again, "from the right cottage" said a critic, this time in her husband's production when The Winter's Tale toured during the war. It came at length to the Open Air John Richt Theatre in Regent's Park, hada son,

theatre, though she did a leaf for the BBC where she me second husband, Stephes. Thomas, who became Dram Director of the British Cour cil. In later years she read poetry once or twice, and with much effect, at Keas After her husband's deal? in 1961 she did little mor, but she celebrated him in the cele

friend) as Paulina.

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most sensitive memoir, Data With No Sorrow (1968) at she contributed a number lyrical poems to The Sata day Book: She had begun write in her theatre dressing room. In Hampstead whe she was a familiar figure gentle and affectionate, such devoted much of her time. gardening and to her familie of cats.

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MR B. T. SMITH

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The firm was founded by his grandfather Theophilus Smith in Burton on Trent in 1874, on the same site or prefabricated sanel constr. tion technology which I now occupies. At first it since come into universal 1 made steam-absorption plants for cold-storage chambers. He leaves two sons, w

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Mardi Gras. "Fat Tues-day". The day, in France, on which all addicts of Cuisine Minceur can have a relapse from their good habits and

there are just a few of those available.

Placido Domingo. Literally, gloomy Sunday. A Mediterranean custom of going to church on Sunday morning, then wheeling out little old ladies in black dresses for a walk before Sunday lunch, which is traditionally devoted Sheffield Wednesday. A

Maundy Thursday. A strange relic of medieval times, when calendars were

Long Good Friday. The First Law of Chronology states that "weekends expand

gosh sakes.)
Saturday Night Fever.
Anthropologists have noticed

rather aware that five years ago you would probably have enjoyed all this. Well, then.

Television Mutinous thoughts

The order was given three times. "Pick up your kit. Fail in on the road. Move up to the 46th Division area." But 192 men who had fought at El Alamein and through Sicily sat in a field above Salerno and refused to move. How and why they did so was the subject of this week's Forty Minutes (BBC 2), in which Alan Patient dis-covered more survivors of this strange episode, mostly Geordies and Scots, than anyone before him. It was a disturbing inquiry in which two old soldiers at least were moved by the bitterness of memory to weeping on film and were unable to continue speaking before being gently pressed to go on.

But it was circumspect and puzzling, too, Many of the men were still wounded and recovering in Tripoli when Alexander's call for reinforcements came through, but why did a call intended for Philippeville in Algeria go to Tripoli at all? Why were they told first that they were being returned to their units and then, once at sea, that they were sailing back to the front line? Was it only because they were not being returned to their units that they refused to do as they were told? After all, hundreds of thousands of men obeyed orders they knew to be foolish, humiliating and even dangerous in both world wars. Was it all Monty's fault? They were Eighth Army men, and Monty had taught them to believe they came from the finest family in the show, and that the rest were all rubbish. But, forty years on, the question nags: was that really all?

The court-martial sat in the Ecole Normale at Constantine; 191 men — the 192nd was an administrative error who had strayed into the wrong cage - were found guilty of mutiny and sentenced to penal servitude or death. One sergeant was made to read his own capital sentence, and to wait 14 days before it was commuted, as they all were. Vindictively thrown back into the flercest fighting, many preferred desertion and 10 years' hard labour to near-certain death. They had minds of their own, in short. In a war: unfor

Distinguished elderly law-yers variously told Mr Patient that the men should never have been court-martialled in the first place or that the convicted sergeants should certainly have been shot. Painfulness crowned paradox and paradox pain. The sentences were intended to be exemplary but were martial proceedings remain inaccessible for 75 years, to protect the accused and their families — the very people, indeed, who wish the whole truth to come out.



Reds (AA)

Absence of Malice (A)

Odeon, Leicester Square

Empire, Leicester Square

Taps (AA)

Plaza 1; Classic, Chelsea

Hallowe'en II (X)

Warner, West End; Classic. Haymarket; Studio, Oxford Street

Warren Beatty's Reds is a brave, unlikely and quixotic enterprise. The director-star spent a decade of his own life and somewhere between \$35m and \$60m of his investors' money on the project. It is unlikely, for America at least, to the extent that the hero to whom this big capitalist investment is dedicated was an avowed and unrepentant Communist, who earned the unique distinction for an American of being buried in the Kremlin wall with the heroes of the Soviet Revolution.

John Reed was a Harvard gradu-ate who joined the ranks of American radicals in the years just before the First World War, writing for The Masses and involving himself actively in the labour battles World. In 1916, in Portland, Oregon, be met Louise Bryant, a dentist's wife who had already achieved local notoriety by her outspoken views on women's rights and sexual freedom. Reed discovered in her "an artist, a rampant joyous individualist, a poet and a revolutionary" and fell in love. Bryant joined him in New

York where they lived and worked together and eventually married.

Their radical ideas, sexual independence and normal human feelings of jealousy and guilt seem often to have been grotesquely confused. Bryant had a long affair with Eugene O'Neill; Reed had his ed, who wish the whole to come out.

| Own lovers. Bryant went to France to cover the war (and maybe to escape from the emotional chaos) and then in August 1917 journeyed



Faces on film: Warren Beatty (above), all charm and toughness; and Timothy Hutton in "Taps" . . . a latter-day male equivalent of Lana Turner?

Beatty's labour of romantic high-mindedness

to Russia on further newspaper to Russia on further newspaper assignments. Reed turned up there about the same time, independently. Returning to the United States in 1918, Reed wrote his history of the Revolution; Ten Days That Shook the World (reissued this week by Penguin at £1.95), which was later to provide Eisenstein with the basis of his film October. Bryant, a better writer, collected her newspaper articles into Six Red Months in articles into Six Red Months in

Reed returned to the Soviet Union in 1919 as delegate of the Communist Labour Party of America, newly formed in defiance of the growing Red scares and Palmer Raids. Bryant followed, as a correspondent for the Hearst newspapers. Soon after their reunion in 1920, Reed, already weakened by a kidney complaint and a spell of imprisonment in Finland, died of typhus. Louise Bryant lived on until 1936, when she died in an automobile accident.

It is out of these events that Warren Beatty and his English co-writer Trevor Griffiths have fashioned a romance, set against the background of stirring historical events — the rise and suppression of American radicalism; the Great War; the Revolution. It is an honourable method (cf. Tolstoy, Pasternak) but one that demands a fine sense of equilibrium: The risks become apparent when the storming of the Winter Palace coincides, not without a touch of misplaced symbolism with the American couple's sexual reunion. But by and large Beatty maintains his balance and respects historical values: he displays his characters' Marxist ideals without cynicism or condescension, even if he shows the onset of disillusion as sooner and more brutal than may have been the case.

He links recreation and reality by using a recurring chorus of real figures who remember the times and in some cases the people of his drama — they include Henry Miller, Rebecca West, George Jessel, Hamilton Fish, Dora Russell and the ancient and reactionary queen of Hollywood fan magazines, Adela Rogers St Johns. Perversely, though, Beatty does not identify them: the withered faces appear in maddening anonymity. Although it provides observant viewers with a spot-the-nonagenarian game (my score is a low five) to deprive them of their identities deprives them also

Beatty is not presumably so naive

as merely to fear that indentifica-tion would give his film the look of television reportage. So we can only surmise that his reason for keeping documentary at a distance was to prevent too close an examination of his own version of history.

He does seem to have taken some liberties for the sake of romance. As Reed, Beatty's mixture of charm and toughness is credible; but Diane and toughness is credible; but Diane Keaton underestimates Louise Bryant. Bryant's fight for emancipation must have been far more aggressive than Annie Hall's. It is too simple, moreover, to focus the betrayal and disillusion of the Revolution on the single figure of Revolution on the single rigure or Zinoviev (shown, accusingly, wolfling a feast of caviare): Zinoviev's worst flaw was a fatal vacillation. For such a long film, some of its points are, like this one, very baldly made, while others are laboured to

the point of tedium.

The intentions are exemplary. The parts are wholly excellent — the parts are wholly excellent — the staging, the design, clever use of popular music of the period; fine performances by (among others) Maureen Stapleton as the legendary Emma Goldman and Jack Nicholson as O'Neill. The whole, though, just does not deliver the satisfaction and exhilaration of an integrated dragery. exhilaration of an integrated dramatic composition.

Sydney Pollack's Absence of Malice (which has just competed in the Berlin Film Festival) joins the long line of newspaper pictures which stretches back at least fifty years, to Lewis Milestone's The Front Page. In those days newmen tended to be rejuctant heroes. Now we are more sceptical about the media and Kurt Luedtke's screen-

mena and Kurt Luedtke's screen-play portrays the daily press with fairly undisguised distaste.

Sally Field, with her permanent look of innocent crusader, is an eager young reporter with a naive cub faith that the truth must out. She is a ready tool for a shady faction in the justice department who want to smear an innocent who want to smear an innocent man, hoping to smoke out useful information. She gullibly prints their planted information. The smears stick: one life is wrecked and another lost before the victim turns the tables, plants his own false information on the media and topples the dirty tricksters in the DA's office.

The film's reflections on the

responsibilities of the media do not go very deep. The pleasure of the film is rather as a well-scripted, beautifully contrived drama, with a morally satisfying third-act denoue-ment. Pollack uses Miami locations to create a very tangible feel of the Florida scene and Florida society.

The performances add to the pleasure. At 57 Paul Newman is still the most handsome of Hollywood leading men. Sally Field makes the girl's bright, eager, thoughtless ambition as credible as it is awful; and the supporting performances of Luther Adler, Melinda Dillon, John Harkins and Wilford Brimley (a blacksmith turned scene-stealer) are all incisive.

Taps, directed by Harold Becker and based on a novel by Devery Freeman, is a small, promising idea whose possibilities have all been exhausted long before its two hours and more have run out. The boys of and more have run out. The boys of a military academy are deeply influenced by the chivalrous ideals—verging on the fanatic—of their commandant (George C. Scott). When events abruptly remove the commandant and threaten the school with instant closure, the boys take up their arms to withstand siege by the forces of law, order and parental authority.

parental authority.
The script painstakingly explores the tensions between the three leading boys: the hothead who eventually precipitates the inevitable bloody finale; the rational mediator; and the gentle, idealist acting commander; played by Timothy Hutton. The success of the film in the United States appears to be accessed the street of the street o largely due to the attractions of young Hutton, the boy from Ordinary People, for the teenage audience. With wells of tears for eyes, he seems set to play the male equivalents of those great emotional roles which Lana Turner once filled.

Taps at least looks as if it was

made by people with minds and some vague thoughts about the dangers of the military sentiment. Hallowe'en II looks like the result of a computer malfunction. The teenage-holocaust school of horror s reduced to a monotonous recital of killings, corpses, gore and cremations. A psychopath, homicidal and boringly indestructible, stalks; Donald Pleasence is anguished; Jamie Lee Curtis, as always, comes out screaming but unscathed. John Carpenter, with Debra Hill, takes credit for the script, which hardly deserves the name. Rick Rosenthal directs without managing to bring off even the most mechanical horror effects.

David Robinson

Opera

Heroine transformed

Manon

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handled by Miss Masterson.
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and there are streaks of dappled sunlight on the roofs At the Cours-la-Reine a few enchant, notably the court-different doubts have set in and there are streaks of sadness in the Gavotte—
Valerie Masterson herself much in the style of another Henry Bardon design for a capture was ago. The Cours-la-Reine is a go. The Cours-la-Reine is a go. The Cours-la-Reine is a clever Watteau pastiche, ago. The Cours-la-Reine is a go. The Cours-la-Reine is a clever Watteau pastiche, but the ballet is dreary. No wonder Manon comments that she did not notice it. And the melodrames are poorly handled. Lionel rapport with his star, Valerie Masterson, who makes this revival well worthwhile, but he could apply a silker hand to parts of the score.

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on a good repertory level, no more. John Brecknock, her partner when this production Coliscism bave argued the cause of French opera more effectively over the vast few years than Valerie Masterson. She is certainly the force behind the Coliscism revival of Manon this seum revival of Manon this cut much of a figure on stage: there was doggy affection rather than passion for manon and it was difficult to see just what makes the ladies of the St Sulpice congregation swoon when Des Grieux takes up holy orders in Act III. Alan Opie's sturdy in the convent. Paris immediately teaches her to be more calculating, but she ley all are much stronger is stronger characterizations.

Concerts

Programmed poise

City of London Sinfonia/Hickox

Queen Elizabeth Hall

A vital balance is the keynote of Richard Hickox's City of London Sinfonia. You find it in their string sound, where the violin's fine strength and

larly exquisite example. We began and ended in E flat as so differently inhabited by J. C. Bach and Stravinsky. And, as those names may him, there was a nice equipoise of classic and modern with

for an earlier occasion and it thing over the solo from Aurèle the point when the music is Nicolet and drawing it into ready to take off, it stops. more sober and reflective regions, worried rather than Paul Griffiths

hectic. Two such excellent performances within two years are a tribute to the stimulus contained within the music.

For the listener. Osborne's concerto exciting experience, vividly so in its outer movements but no less in the still, luminous slow movement, with such things as a glorious sunset for strings and high oboe in descent. It is also a piece that the violin's fine strength and brightness, like silver wire, is not so much blended with softer violas and cellos as complemented by them.

You find it also in their programmes, of which Wednesday night's was a particularly exquisite example. We same sparkling combination same sparkling combination of separate lines, textures, metres, harmonic planes. On the other hand, the

contemporary work became a classic and modern with Mozart's Clarinet Concerto, symphony heard before. The played by Jack Brymer, set minuet finale, though comagainst the Flute Concerto of Nigel Osborne.

This work was commissioned by the orchestra inevitably one expects somefor an earlier occasion and it thing else. else. was good to see them giving a Osborne's finale shows how second hearing to a much an ending can be abrupt but applauded piece, doing so, also final, for just at the moreover, with their own point when all the splinters flautist, Duke Dobing, taking have been assembled, just at

Background: Brandis Quartet

A balance of personalities

Quartet of Berlin and leaver of the Berlin Philharmonic, joined the Berlin Philharmonic and the authorise of the Berlin Philharmonic in 1961, and became a of a performed leaving Berlin now — it's member of their Soloists rehearsal.

"All leaves and dogs — they ensemble. "But I'd always Herbert was all was all

Hanover and Bremen before starting their first British tour, with a concert at Oxford tonight and their London debut at the Queen Elizabeth Hall on Sunday





viola playing) they gave their first concert in 1976 in the

The quartet is well named. Brandis makes it clear: "I wanted to build the quartet with my ideas and those of Wolfgang, I don't believe in homogeneity. A quartet is an ensemble of four players, and you must hear all the that's our hallmark too." The next year. At Edinburgh this musical maturity, close rapport and strength of personality of the two outer parts by Gyorgy Kurtag.

work like an electric charge, wishly and audibly sharpen.

visibly and audibly sharpen-ing and energizing the play-Compliment or insult? "I learn from a singer. It is don't like to hear that, no. Fischer-Dieskau and Peter Because the Karajan sound is Schreier who tell me how to always a little too smooth, play Schubert. I tell my too soft for me. But above students they must go to all, in this orchestra you song recitals to learn how to learn to *listen* — and the play the violin...."

Hilary Finch

"And here — here is the end of the world." With the February sun lighting the Tiergarten's bare silver birches behind, and the grey quietness of morning in East Berlin ahead, Thomas Brandis, founder of the Brandis Quartet of Berlin and leader of the Berlin Philharmonic, showed me the Wall. "People are leaving Berlin now — it's member of their Golosts of the Berlin now — it's member of their Soloists of the Berlin now — it's member of their Soloists of the Berlin now — it's member of their Soloists of the Berlin now — it's member of their Soloists of the Berlin now — it's member of their Soloists of the Berlin now — it's member of their Soloists of the Berlin now — it's member of their Soloists of the Berlin now — it's member of their Soloists of the afternoon before in the Philharmonie. Karajan in the Philharmonie. Karajan was rehearsing for a concert performance of Tosca with Ricciarelli, Raimondi and Carreras. There, the orchestra, in turn, seemed like a magnified chamber ensemble, and the atmosphere was that of the proposition of the Berlin Philharmonic, soloists of the Berlin Philharmonic, soloists of the seemed like a magnified chamber ensemble, and the atmosphere was that of the proposition of the Berlin Philharmonic, soloists of the seemed like a magnified chamber ensemble, and the atmosphere was that of the proposition of the Berlin Philharmonic, soloist of the Berlin Philharmonic, soloist of the proposition of the propositio

Herbert von Karajan spoke all old ladies and dogs—they don't want to live on an island...."

For musicians, west and east of the Wall, travel at least is a little easier. The Brandis Quartet, in the six years of their life, have already played in Vienna, Leipzig, Budapest, Leningrad and Paris. This week they have been visiting Bayreuth, Hanover and Bremen before starting their first British

ensemble. "But l'd always warmly and enthusiastically it was "I'd have my own string to me of the quartet ironically his praise, and indeed indirect influence on their careers together, will younger members of the BPO soon lose him his number quartet's continuing solo work, and coaching for the European warmth and character of his Brandis now considers his will playing) they gave their main work as being with the first concert in 1976 in the quartet, and he plans to leave quartet, and he plans to leave small German town of Hit-small German town of Hit-zacher. A year later they as Wolfgang Boettcher did twice filled the 2,000-seat six years ago. Philharmonie in Berlin.

Although he feels few

Although he feels few quartets have built up such a wide repertoire in six years, Brandis is eager to expand past the solid core of Haydn, Mozart, Schubert and Beethoven. They already have a considerable number of first performances behind them. personalities. I've loved the including works by Beyer Amadeus since I was a boy: and von Einem; the premiere they are four distinct person- of a quartet by the Austrian alities and I'd like to think Giselher Klebe is planned for

work like an electric charge, visibly and audibly sharpening and energizing the playing.

"Perhaps it's not so good that we are still in an orchestra; but it is good that we're in this orchestra". Rochdale, is, for them, the They have been labelled as producing "the Karajan sound in miniature". But a just a j

Theatre

Edward II

Round House

Brecht's version of Edward II sank like a lead balloon when the National Theatre staged it in 1968, and we have had to wair for this Foco Novo production to discover what the work is about.

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First of all, it is an original play, not an adaptation along the lines of Brecht's rehash of The Recruiting Officer. It contains chunks of Marlowe (still recognizable through William Smith and Ralph Manheim's hoomerang trans-Manheim's boomerang trans-lation), but the specifically Marlovian elements have gone: no glittering imagery, gone: no gittering magery, no arias, no renaissance glamour. Gaveston changes from a "sly inveigling Frenchman" into an Irish Mick all set to inherit the earth. Marlowe's geometri-cally compressed time scheme stretches out to the full 19 years from the coronation to the murder. The 40 characters shrink to a cast of 20. And, in this most pitiful of royal histories, there is hardly a moment of

Partly a counter-play, it is also a companion piece to Brecht's fungle of Cities: mother duel to the death between two amoral champions. Edward stands for the wisdom of the body, Mortimer for the sovereignty of the mind. And the excitement of the piece derives from the growth that takes place from those fixed positions.

Mortimer, when we first see him, is a scholar consee him, is a scholar con-temptuously surveying the vanity of the world from the seclusion of his library, and gradually enticed into apply-ing his intellect to the business of politics. The Queen begins as a humiliated Marlovian wraith, but once she switches allegiance to Mortimer — berraving her the King, Brecht changes him from a passionately comedy helpless victim of events into bedrags a campaign-hardened warrior trudge



lan Hogg, with Beth Morris as Queen Anne

who first refuses to sign the order for Gaveston's banishment and then refuses to abdicate. Brecht transforms the physical horrors of his imprisonment into account of the contract of the c imprisonment into scenes of

imprisonment into scenes of political brainwashing which Edward — exulting in his torments — resists to the end; still true to his doctrine of the body.

Roland Rees's production is a good example of what can be gained by casting off the fetters of orthodox Brechtian staging. The intention of the play is never in doubt; but it is revealed without any of the apparatus of slide projections, parenof slide projections, paren-thetical song or fixed lighting.

There are high back walls, two long entrances, and a battery of brass and percussion, whose clanking rhythms for the coronation immediately forecast the drums that are to keep the captive Edward from sleep. Queen begins as a humiliated Marlovian wraith, but once she switches allegiance to Mortimer — betraying her husband and son — she declines into drunken glutony, laughing at the "emptiness of the world"; just as Mortimer did before he was Mortimer did before he was frawn into the game. As for passion and intrigue along the King, Brecht changes with the grotesque and broad comedy — as where a bedraggled group of four trudge on and introduce

themselves as the King's army, saluting him with a hum hurrah. David Dixon's Edward first

David Dixon's Edward first appears as a nervous boy, snatching the mace from the Archbishop's hands, and immediately recalling and honouring his exiled favourite; unambiguously recognizable as the King's whore, even without the merry guffaws that go up when he is seen "showing the Earl of Cornwall his catapult". His transformation, first into a bearded, feverishly active campaign soldier, and finally into a filthy skeleton, hauled about with a tin bucket over his head, is one index of the about with a tin bucket over his head, is one index of the ground the production covers. The sight of that grinning spectre, momentarily returned to the throne and challenging Ian Hogg's amiably pittless Mortimer with a superb return to the royal "we", is what I shall remember most from the show.

show.

Another fine passage is the last sight of Billy McColl's digging his grave, Gaveston, digging his grave, while the King conducts a simultaneous scene with his barons, each side invisible to the other; thus creating one moment of intense pathos entirely through the use of

BBCSO/Pritchard Organ Spectrum

Festival Hall

Roger Sessions, - composer, teacher and writer, was on Wednesday the representa-tive American in the fourth of the Royal Philharmonic Society's series of seven concerts with an American concerts with an American connexion. One of the most influential composers of his generation, he is also one of the most European: this work, from his middle period, steams with the expressionist: chromaticism of Schoenberg, and leers with the braying, ironic high spirits of Shostakovich in its tiny. of Shostakovich in its tiny, capricious second movement,

its finale's parodistic brass and knotty wind writing.

But while those finger-prints help to locate the work, they also throw into relief its marked individuality ality, a rough, gnawing counterpoint of harmonies, a disquieting and dislocated neo-classical machinery, tugging fitfully, yet with a rigorous logic, against the waves of stylistic and subjective nostalgia. The BBC Symphony Orchestra conductive by John Pritchard were on top form, with some outstanding wind solos outlining the Adagio's elegiac memorial of Roosevelt.

Walton's Cello Concerto.

Walton's Cello Concerto
was premiered by the Boston
Symphony Orchestra and
first performed in Europe by
the BBCSO at a Royal
Philharmonic Society con-Philharmonic Society concert. Ralph Kirshbaum gave an appropriately celebratory performance, making the work seem bolder, more fibrous, less heady in its finely imagined and crafted Ravellian sound world than it sometimes does.

Particularly telling was the nature of recall from the first to the last movement; Kirshbaum's rich, expansive handling of the long lyrical opening theme echoed as if from a great distance in the finale's epilogue. Each vari-

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ir thus creating one of intense pathos through the use of through the use of luctuating self-communing which tingled in turn the nerves of the orchestral episodes.

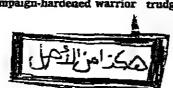
Variation and improvisation in its most basic form had earlier in the evening characterized one of the more colourful programmes of the GLC's Organ Spectrum series. John Birch invested the textbook Air with Variations by Henry Smart (1813-1879) with admirable grace and charm; while Michael Laird and Paul Archibald, joining him for the first joining him for the first London performance of Geoffrey Burgon's Sanctus Variations for two trumpets and organ, did what they could with its remarkably laboured

vacuity.

Hilary Finch







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The issue was raised at a group.

meeting earlier this week between the United Kingdom

several companies expressed their disquiet about the inadequacy of the gas libera-lization proposals in the Oil and Gas (Enterprise) Bill,

which is now in committee stage in the House of Commons.

The council originally wanted to send a letter to Mr Lawson outlining their fears, but agreed at the suggestion of officials at the Department of Energy to have urgent meetings with the Secretary of State and officials increased

of State and officials instead.

The operators' misgivings are likely to be embarrassing for the Government, since the oil companies are supposed to be the main beneficiaries if the Government's

consumers on the mainland.

North Sea

gas export

Oil operators

By Jonathan Davis, Energy Correspondent Leading oil companies But the companies told operating in the North Sea him that unless the Govern-

operating in the North Sea him that unless the Government allows exports of gas to the Secretary of State for the Cominent, British Gas Energy, that they fear his will still in practice be able to plans to privatize the North Sea gas business do not go far enough to create a genuinely free gas market. Unless the Government agrees to allow exports of gas, the companies fear that its plans to break British Gas's monopoly purchase powers over gas — currently being considered by Parliament — will have little impact.

The issue was raised at a group.

between the United Kingdom Offshore Operators' Association, which represents all the big oil companies that are active in the North Sea, and Mr Lawson at the Department of Energy. It follows a meeting of the association's council last week at which several companies expressed their disquiet about the inadequacy of the gas libera-

Earlier this month Mr Lawson said that the Govern-

be landed in this country, the exploration may never hap-pen and the Bill could end up

Mr Williams, the associ-

ation's director-general, confirmed last night that the meeting had taken place. He said "at this moment the

association is not pressing for any changes of amend-ments in the Bill". But the

companies are believed to be

hoping that Mr Lawson will be forced to make vital concessions when the regu-lations covering detailed aspects of the Bill are devised

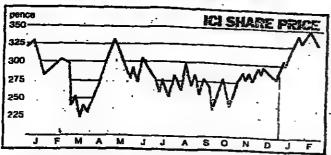
• Shell and BP formally

as a dead letter.

later this year.

falls in petrol prices.

Outlook less sure



lCl shares slumped to 226p, their lowest level for several years, after shocking the stock market a year ago by announcing more than halved profits and its first dividend cut since the war. But on hopes of good 1981 figures and brighter prospects the shares started to move ahead sharply at the beginning of the year only to turn weaker this week on worries — borne out yesterday — that the immediate outlook is not promising.

RTZ agrees to buy Tunnel

Shipping orders decline

last year were 2 million tonnes lower than a year carlier ast year were 2 minion tonnes lower than a year carrier although the industry's output in 1981 showed an appreciable gain on 1980 levels. Figures issued today by Lloyd's Register of Shippping showed that world shipbuilders have orders in hand totalling 35.3m tonnes gross. Among the nations which managed to increase their and hacks less than British was one of eight their order books last year, Britain was one of eight nations with an order backlog of more than 1 million

2 per cent on turnover after interest, expires at the end of the coming financial year. Mr Jenkin said in the Commons he had agreed with the Post Office that it should reduce its unit costs by 5 per cent by 1984-85.

inquiry found there was no

Receivers have been called in at Pearson and Co (Chesterfield), domestic pottery manufacturers, and Irvine Selfars Group (Holdings), the clothing company. Efforts are being made to sell both companies as

Businessmen will no longer be able to hide behind company names from today. New rules introduced by the 1981 Companies Act force all businesses to display the owners' names at the place of business. The names must be accompanied by an address and will also have to be shown on invoices and business. on invoices and business letters.

Romanian officials held exploratory talks with eight Western banks in Frankfurt yesterday on

plans to end British Gas's statutory right to buy all gas produced in the North Sea. Mr Lawson hopes that ending asked the British National Corporation for another reduction in North Sea prices yesterday, following the \$1.50 a barrel cut earlier this month. BNOC is expected to the state corporation's mon-opoly will lead to a sharp increase in exploration for gas, and allow oil companies have to concede a further cut of at least \$2 a barrel, which to sell gas direct to industrial will probably mean further

ICI profit up £51m but gloom remains

By Ronald Poilen

o firm evaluation of firm evalua dence that the trading picture will improve this year comes with a bigger than expected increase in the

ing its dividend from 23p

Imperial Chemical Industries, Britain's biggest manufacturing group and a leading indicator of industry's health, warned yesterday that it could see little evidence of better times soon.

The caution of the ICI restrictions the fibres loss.

better times soon.

The caution of the ICI restructuring, the fibres loss board contrasts with the has been cut from £86m to more optimistic noises it was £36m and the group is making last October, but Sir tentaively hoping to break Maurice Hodgson, ICI's outgoing chairman, said: "There do not move too adversely is considerable uncertainty over economic prospects for other loss-makers are over economic prospects for other loss-makers are over economic prospects for other loss-makers are other remainder of 1982 in all charites which. over economic prospects for organic chemicals, peta-the remainder of 1982 in all chemicals and plastics which markets and there is together lost £84m against no firm evidence yet of £113m, although there is less sustained improvments in optimism that these will

year trading because of unpromising sales in January and February and the con-tinued uncertainty over exdividend from 17p net to 19p. change rates which are of Last year, ICI took the crucial importance in ICI's unprecedented step of cut-main markets.

Fraser cashes in his chips

Almost a year ago to the day, Sir Hugh Fraser gave up gambling for the second time. He has lost more than £1m in the past and admits the habit has played an important part in his fall from public life.

Yesterday he severed all management links with the Harrods stores group, which was built up by his father and is now run by a man-

is now run by a man unconnected with the family and who was introduced by a merchant bank.

Ironically, it was the dis-cloure of his return to the gaming tables and his admitshocked boardroom collea-gue's so much they dismissed him as chairman of the House of Fraser more than

12 months ago.
They did so just after he had made friends again with Lourho chief Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland, whose group holds just under 30 per cent of Fraser and who had been making life difficult for the stores group directors.
Up to that point, Sir Hugh
had been supporting the
board in its fight against
what it called "harrassement" by Mr Rowland.
Sir Hugh, aged 45, went
into the Scottish-based family
business when he was 17. At

business when he was 17. At 21 he came a director and eight years later one of the youngest chairmen of a public company.

He is acknowledged as a brilliant draper, but one who needed to be balanced by firm financial controls.

But it was his private life that eventually took over and pushed aside his business reputation.
Twice married Sir Hugh,

once dubbed as the last really big gambler in Britain, lost an estimated £1.5m in 1976.

Sir Hugh leaves the Harrods group



Sir Hugh Fraser: fresh start

two opposing economic argu- of Further and Higher Edu-ments of deflation and reflec- cation, said the greatest tion were appropriate to the untapped potential in the

in Scottish and Newcastle in 1975 to meet gambling losses. Sir Hugh, who once pledged to give up drinking, smoking and gambling, said last night: "I have not gambled for more than a year. But the pressure is on at the moment. I'm still lay, aged 25.

Call for new industrial policy

Six years ago he told a drinking although not nearly Stock Exchange inquiry that as much."

He says he now intends to start again in the drapery business. he is spending £250,000 on a tailor's shop in Glasgow, Paisleys, and plans to extend into the drapery

Europe agrees its MFA strategy

European trade ministers reached agreement today on an intricate textile import package, which will regulate the flow of cloth, yarn and clothing from cheap manufacturers into the EEC.

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Settlement means that the European Commission will be authorised to go ahead and negotiate the 28 bilateral agreements with the main producers. Had it proved impossible the EEC intended to pull out of the Multi-Fibre Arrangement (MFA), which controls 80 per cent of the world's textile trade.

Today's council was able to

Today's council was able to agree the wording of a new EEC regulation to control the way manufacturers in member states export their partfinished products for com-pletion in factories where labour costs are lower.

This practice, known as "outward processing", is widely used in West Germ-

The regulation has been argued out for three years but the urgency of approving it seems today to have eventually filtered through to the ministers. It defines "outward proces-

sing" and sets out how the trade can be managed. Having worked out the regulation the ministers were then able to begin work on finding ways to define what the global ceiling of imports should be. France and Italy were particularly keen to see these ceilings set as low as possible.

Part of the agreed formula was that there should be a 10 per cent cut in imports from three of the four dominant producers — Taiwan, South

Korea and Macau.

Britain succeeded in pleading that the fourth dominant producer, Hongkong, was a special case since it main-tained an open market. In consequence the commission has been authorized to negotiate with Hongkong on the basis that its quota would not need to be cut at all.

Overall the ministers were prepared to agree no more than a 1 per cent total increase in imports per year from the MFA countries on the 1982 figure.

A major difficulty in past

Mr Geoffrey Chandler, by dogma and ignorance, education, training, invest-director general of the National Economic Development Office, yesterday urged the Government and both sides of industry to bury their differences and formulate a new long-term industrial policy before politicians became embroiled in the run up to the next General Election.

By Edward Townsend, industrial Correspondent doubles in vertices, education, training, invest-ment of the year government should have the health and competing industry itself is training invest-ment office, yesterday urged have the health and competing industry itself is training invest-ment office, yesterday urged have the health and competing industry itself is training invest-ment of the competing in the productive industry itself is training invest-ment of the productive industry industry itself is training invest-ment of the productive industry industry itself is training invest-ment of the productive industry industry itself is training investors.

The productive industry industry itself is training investors industry industry industry industry industry There was now only a brief opportunity for some agreed approach on the requirements for industrial success, he said and all composing economic arguments of deflation and renec-tion were appropriate to the untapped potential in the very complex set of causes country lay in the involve-that underlay Britain's prob-ment, participation and cre-ation of a sense of identity of Germany to go through the agreed ceilings on its "outward processing" products.

Agreement means it is now possible to approve ratifi-cation of the Multi-Fibre Arrangement worked out last

time to be exacerbated as try's long-term lack of com- company for which they have been since the war petitiveness — inadequate worked. LME authorities step in as tin prices tumble

By Michael Prest

the feared market squeeze. Cash tin fell by £775 to £7,320 a tonne, while three months metal was £310 lower at £7,335, giving the first contango since November.

he said, and all concerned

must seek to distance indus-try from the party political

"We cannot afford to see

Dealers were largely at a loss to explain why the fall had occurred so rapidly, but the London Metal Exchange authorities, whose activity behind the scenes has apparently done much to avert the squeeze which might have resulted from heavy buying since last July, were quick to step in. Mr Michael Brown, chair-

Tin prices unexpectedly orderly basis. Members will tumbled on the second day of the feared market squeeze. Cash tin fell by £775 to £7,320 5, to be returned to the atomac, while three months chairman by March S. If nothing untoward is re-vealed, Mr Brown said, the £120 æ tonne maximum premium may be abolished on March 11.

In fact, little or no premlum was paid yesterday by traders, who were able to cover their positions as the price collapsed. Traders acknowledge that the LME's intervention was important in calming the market but they change rates which are of crucial importance in ICI's man of the LME committee, purposes and identity of the said that tin trading appeared to have returned to a more the market remain a mystery. **Bank of Ireland**

announces that with effect from close of business on 26th February 1982 its Base Rate for lending is reduced from 14% to 131/2%

per annum

Bank of Ireland

Amersham International employee inspects a pure solution for particles of dust through a polarizing screen.

Amersham's diagnosis for success

Amersham International, the stock that every investor wants to put his money into, is the only public company in he world whose main business is based on radioactive

It makes isotopes for virtually every non-military application, from diagnosing discase to triggering nuclear

An isotope is an artificial chemical element produced by bombarding non-radio-important field. Amersham active material with particles manufactures radiopharma-

at very high energy. It gives ceuticals that are given to the off radiation, which can be used either to trace a compound through the human body or to cause by a gamma camera which picks up the radiation they give off. destroying cancer cells.

The main application for Amersham's isotopes is in medicine. Half are used directly for health care, and another quarter medical research. quarter are for

Diagnosis is the most clear reactors at Harwell, important field. Amersham Dido and Pluto, to make

By Clive Cookson, Technology Correspondent picks up the radiation they give off.

However, the fastest grow ing diagnostic market is for clinical testing kits, which involve no direct application of radioactivity to the patient.

most of its isotopes. The non-

radioactive target material is bombarded with neutrons in the reactor, and some atoms are converted to the new radioactive isotope. A lot of very intricate separation and chemical synthesis is then required before the pure product can be shipped "If we cannot make the isotope efficiently in a reac-tor, we use a cyclotron and fire charged particles at a target," Dr Stuart Burgess said. The company is bring-ing into operation a new, powerful cyclotron.

Hill Samuel **Base Rate**

With effect from the close of business on February 26th, 1982, Hill Samuel's Base Rate for lending will be reduced from 14 per cent to 13½ per cent per annum.

interest payable on the Bank's Demand Deposit Accounts will be at the rate of 11 per cent

Hill Samuel & Co. Limited 100 Wood Street, London EC2P 2AJ.



Rio Tinto-Zinc, which recently took over Thos W. Ward, has now reached agreement to buy Tunnel Holdings. RTZ already owns 50.9 per cent of Tunnel's voting rights and is offering four RTZ shares for every three Tunnel "A" or "B" shares. At last night's price this values Tunnel's shares at 578p and the group at £168m. There is a cash alternative of 550p a share from RTZ'S

New orders secured by the world's shipbuilding nations

Post Office target review

Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Industry, has ordered a review of the financial target of the Post Office. The present target, which requires the postal business to achieve a return of the present target, which requires the postal business to achieve a return of the post of the post

The EEC Commission has dropped an anti-dumping case over Unted States polyester and cotton sheets and pillowcases because its

going concerns.

inquiry found there was no rescheduling an estimated case to answer despite \$1,200m of debts due in 1981.

British and Irish complaints. More talks are likely soon.

whether to raise its ofter under takeover code rules. Croda shares were unchanged at 83p with Burmah 1p better at 109p.

News that Charterhouse Petroleum had made an agreed bid worth 198p per share for CCP North Sea provided a boost to

the recently dull oil sector. CCP had been suspended at 145p and

returned at 185p while Charter-house shares were 1p off at 71p. Elswwhere in the sector Ultramar slid 11p to 390p an rumours of a

rights issue but Lasmo put on 10p to 284p ahead of next

week a respiration of the security of the secu

forecast for the year to December

Camping retailers Greenfields Leisure are expected to report losses of around £800,000 next

week and the shares slumped to a low of 20p. Meanwhile the

a tow or 20p. Meanwhile the group's former associates, Billetts, languish at 83p, less than hall their 1981/2 peak of 172p. Food retailers were helped by an optimistic trading review from Teaco chairman Mr Leslie Porter, and the observe but on 10 to 55p.

and the shares put on 1p to 55p. Equity turnover on February 24 was £150.643m (16,865 bar-

down from £7m to £5m.

MARKET SUMMARY Amersham dominates

extended its ofter for Croda International by a further week, But with 17.91 per cent of LONDON EXCHANGE Croda's voting shares Burmah has received scarcely any more acceptances in the past week and must decide no later than Monday FT Index 551.8 down 0.8

FT Gilts 66.86 up 0.47 FT all-share 319.91 down 0.64 Bargains 24,339 Amersham International's debut dominated the early part of the day on the stock market, with the shares opening at 190p — a 48p premium. They slipped back to 186p but ended the day at 189p in house trading.

In heavy trading.
After opening on a bright spot up 6 points, disappointment over the ICI results outweighed optimism about interest rates and index ended 0.8 down at

immediately ahead of the figures and the chalman's comment that there was no firm evidence of an improvement in demand this year, but closed unchanged at 3280. Plessey shed 10p to 353p on its third quarter results, despite these being at the top end of the market's estimates, white Thorn BMI were another dull feature

ICI slipped from 332p to 326p

among leaders losing 13p to 453p.
Gitts opened better on the easing of United States interest rates and the prospect of a fresh but after decline in domestic rates but after early gains of £%-£% ended at the previous day's close in both long and short dates.

iri its long-running take-over battle Burmah Oil, has again

COMMODITIES

 All eyes were on tin, which during the second day of the possible squeeze collapsed, oftering the first contango since November, Cash tin hit a seven-menth low of £7,320 a tenne, and three-month tin ended the day 265 above the cash price.

Rubber raffied after the International Natural Rubber Organisation bought for its buffer stock. The April pice rose from 45.75p to 46.65 a kilogramme.

and the May contract streng-thened from 46.75p to 47.6p.

The International Wheat Council has reduced its estimate world coarse grain production is world coarse grant products in the current crop year by 2 million tonnes to 103m. But it has not changed its estimates of would wheat outure and trade from 475 million tonnes and 100 million tonnes. The comparable figures tast year were 445 million tonnes and 93 million tonnes.

TODAY

Car and commercial vehicle production in January (final figures). Sales and orders in the industries Finished steel (November). consumption and stock changes (fourth-quarter pro-

Board Meetings: Half-yearly — Burndene Investments, Celtic Haven, Humberside Electronics. - Al Industrial Products, Algemene Bank Nederland, T F and J H Braime, Leopold Joseph Sterling Fund, Olives Paper Mill, Yorkshire Fine Wootlen Spinners.

OTHER EXCHANGES

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones average 7,580.45 down 83.57. Hongkong: Hang Seng 1,265.0 down 2.12. New York: Dow Jones industrial average closed at 825.82, down 0.95.

CURRENCES

The pound moved narrowly against the dollar. Both strenthened against other currencies in quite trading ahead of today's United States money supply

Sterling \$1.8335, up 35 points Index 91.2, up 0.4 DM 4.3450 Yen 433.00 New York: \$1.8287

Index 112.9, up 0.4 DM 2.3685, up 50 points \$366.50, up \$3.25

New York: \$365.70

MONEY MARKETS

Period rates werte slighyly easier where changed. The Bank of England bought £292m, of bills in response to a forecasrt shortaher of £200m. Its Band 1 rate was cut

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Co-op Bank Group announces a change m base rate

From 14.00% to 13.50% p.a. On and after Friday, 26th February

> Deposit Rates will become: 7 day deposits 11.00% p.a. 1 month deposits 11.25% p.a.

Short-term deposits from 12.00% to 13.60% p.a.

depending on amount & term (minimum £500 & 6 months)

First Co-operative Finance Limited Cheque & Save current notional interest rate is 10%

Standard Chartered

announces that on and after 25th February 1982 its Base Rate for lending is being decreased from 14% to 13½% p.a.

The interest rate payable on deposit accounts subject to seven days notice of withdrawal will be decreased from 12% to 11% p.a. The interest rate payable on High Interest deposit accounts subject to twenty one days notice of withdrawal will be decreased from 13% to 12% p.a.



Lower duty brings in the drinkers

The brewers have got their backs against the bar-room wall. Figures released yesterday from the Brewers' Society forecast a 2 to 3 per cent decline in beer sales for 1982. (Drew Johnston writes). Consumption has been falling

since 1979 when Britain's drinkers

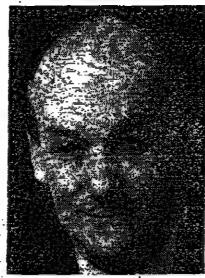
downed 32m pints a day. In 1981 this fell to 30.5m and the forecast for Mr Derek Palmer, chairman of the society and chairman of Bass, blamed tax duty and value-added tax

for the fall, which he said had increased by 96 per cent in 21/2 The drop in sales is forcing brewers to move into other contuner-related products, such as food

and leisure. Analysts rule out a round of takeovers and mergers within the industry. The fall in beer consumption is giving a boost to cider. Years of advertising the product may finally be paying off for the cider

But lower duty on cider — 4p a pint against 12%p on a pint of beer - has given recession-hit drinkers an excuse to switch from beer. So H. P. Bulmer and Merrydown are being chased by investors.

Hongkong's stock markets took little notice of Financial Secretary Mr John Bembridge's maiden bud-Mr John Bembridge's maiden bud-get. Wall Street's interest rates dominate the colony, leaving local investments flat. Once those fall, attention will refocus on inflation. Scrapping the 15 per cent withhold-ing tex on foreign currency deposits could encourage fund raising to be done rather than merely booked in Hongkong.



Keith Wickenden: diversification

How to travel on the cheap

Demand for airline seats may have slumped, but the ferry companies still face stiff competition from the airlines in the holiday travel market. (Drew Johnston writes) This is one reason why several

ferry companies offer generous travel concessions to shareholders. Companies which give this useful perk are P and O, European Ferries, DFDS Danish Seaways, Isle of Man Steam Packet and the quoted company with the longest name in the London market, Southampton, Isle of Wight and South of England Royal Steam Packet Comapny.
As the table shows European Ferries gives discounts up to 50 per

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cent on its services to France. But to qualify this summer your name had to be on that short register on

P and O also sails to France, and offers travel discounts as soon as the shareholdr appears on the company reggister. According to many analysts, there are also good investment reasons for buying the company's shares.

"The prospective dividend yield is around 9.2 per cent, which is attractive," a leading shipping

sector analyst said yesterday.

Profits recovered in the second half of 1981 and there is excitement in the shipping world over the enormous estimated savings in operating costs which its recently announced Finnish-built liner will

P and O's share price is also strong on constant rumours of a takeover bid from the Far East.

European Ferries, yesterday share of its partner, Mormaco, in their 22 million square foot property dvelopment in Denver, Colorado. Profits from the project will contribute substantially to the 1982

The 1981 figures, due in May, are expected to be poor, but the market thinks the shares are a good recovery buy. Estimates of the 1981 profit performance average around profit performance average around. E18m pretax, against £30.4m in 1980. Gross dividend yield is expected to be 5.4 per cent, with the earnings ratio about 17.

But unde Keith Wickenden, its entrepreneurial chairman, the mar-

ket is looking for the company to reap the benefits of diversification in 1982. Pretax profit forecasts for 1982. are pitched at anything between £22m and more than £30m. DFDS Danish Seaways is to

| | So ton | Euro Ferr | DFDS | Markets from Hargreaves & Wil- liamson, metals analysts and invest- |
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| - | 50-100 | 25-50 | 25 | ment advisors, will not relieve the gloom (Michael Prest writes). |
| rd | 2,400 ord | 300 | 1 (4 classes of share) | The report says no metal looks a safe bet, some like tin are positively |
| Z7 | on reg | on reg at Feb 1 | (Concessions & up for review | - dangerous, and only political crises could jerk the markets out of depression this year. |

Cider-makers' cheer... shareholders' perks for shareholders at a board meeting in April. Scandinavian specialists at stockbrokers Vickers da Costa rate the shares a buy, despite the possible withdrawal of its cheap-fares-for-shareholders policy. Shares in the two regional ferry

Reaping the

Red harvest

"Russia bought a record amount of around 41 million tons. They need only about another 2 tons. They will probably pick it up from a

variety of origins, including Austra-

lia. We think the grain markets will

be flat. Mr Mike Hinebaugh of

Conti-Committee, offshoot of United States Continental Grain, said.

await, for guesses for this year's harvests in May. Three years in succession were bad, a fourth is unlikely. Given social unrest in

Comecon, Moscow is under pressure

to supply food to member countries.
Another bad harvest will drive
Soviet Union to the markets again.

Sentiment in the metals markets is bearish. Yesterday's Annual Economic Review of the Metal Markets from Hargreaves & Wil-

Bearish

sentiment

depression this year.

Next deadline commodity markets



INTERNATIONAL

JAPAN

companies, Southampton and Isle of Man, are not particularly active. Japan has hit back at the United States for renewing pressure on Tokyo for additional trade concessions. Mr Kiichi Miyazawa, chief cabinet secretary and official spokesman, said the Japanese Government doubted whether Russia-watchers in commodity markets believe the Russians have the United States knew the rules of the General Agreeenough revenue to buy present grain needs. Perhaps gold, platinum and gas oil can stop reeling after the succession of Soviet sales this winter to raise cash. (Sally White ment on Tariffs and Trade, That is why they have introduced reciprocity legis-

lation that could send us back to the 1930s", he said. Meanwhile, Mr Zenko Suzuki, the Prime Minister, has called a meeting of his cabinet council next week to discuss the issue. A Japanese trade mission to the United States arrives back home on Saturday,

UNITED STATES

United States car sales in mid-February were rather better because of rebates, but were still down on the same period a year ago.

The five big American car makers sold 167,295 cars between February 11 and 20, down 1.4 per cent from 169,614 in mid-February of 1981. Nevertheless, it was the fifteenth consecutive 10-day period in which sales failed to match year earlier levels.

MALAYSIA

The International Natural Rubber Organization will hold a special meeting in Kuala Lumpur on March 5 and 6 to discuss the European Community's request for an extension of the deadline for ratification of the International Natural Rubber Agreement, Sixteen consuming countries have ratified the agreement but Belgian and Italian ratification is awaited.

CHINA

The first contracts for oil exploration off China's shores are likely to be signed with foreign oil companies in the first quarter of 1983, according to Mr Melvin Searls, commercial counsellor at the United States Embassy in Peking.

AUSTRALIA

De Beers' diamonds selling rm, the Central Selling Organisation, is the only group with a capacity to handle the quantity of diamonds expected from the Argyle deposit in North-West Australia, according to Mr Doug Anthony, the Austra-lian Trade Minister.

BIDS AND DEALS

BICC has agreed in principle to purchase for £1.6m cash a 25 per cent interest in Lamitref Aluminium, a Belgian aluminium rod producer. The effect of the investment will be to secure for BICC, on beneficial terms, supplies of aluminium alloy rod for the manufacture of overhead line conductors and power cables. conductors and power cables.

Readicut International has sold the businesses of Shaw Polythene, Shaw Readipak and Snapples for about £600,000 in cash payable in espect of stocks and trader

Kew House Retail, the fresh tood retailing business based in Merseyside, has made an acquisition which makes it the largest independent fresh food business in the country.

The private Kew House has bought the chain of 32 outlets of Sealand Food Holdings, based in Yorkshire, for an undisclosed sum. The group now has 82 retail shops, spread from Dundee to Phymouth, and a workforce of 1,000. There are plans for a further six new openings this year.

Dewson, joint managing directors, say the move has doubled the group's size and turnover. Aparl group's size and untover. Apart from its retailing business, Sealand also manufactures sausages, ples and cooked meets under the Molly Maid brand.

to go public, sees this as its first step toward establishing itself as a national tresh food company. Present exposure is weak in the south east and Midlands, but growth is expected in these areas.

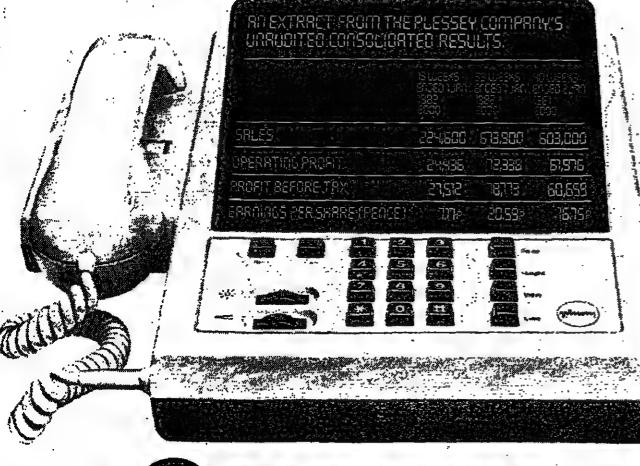
LATEST RESULTS

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Plessey continues excellent nerformance

NINE MONTHS' RESULTS

- Group sales up 14.6% to £673.9 million
- Pre-tax profits up 29.9% to £78.8 million
- Earnings per share up 22.9%
- Exports up 31.5%





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BUSINESS NEWS/FOCUS AND COMMENT

Neill Scott's ticket to efficiency

Neill Scott, six foot and 17 stone, swims to keep down his weight, but presumably puts it on again playing champion-ship bridge. Neill will add a ship bridge. Neill will add a touch of much needed solidity next Wednesday to an unreliable looking Unlisted Securities Market, the stock exchanges's twilight market for up and coming companies whose pedigree is a bit short.

This USM has had its reputation tarnished by the mishaps of American Communications Industries and

munications industries and Euroflame, to name but two. Scott's company, Owners
Abroad, took the unusual step
when it went public in January
of actually warranting the profits it is about to announce.

As if the accidents to Euroflame and ACI were not enough, anything to do with aircraft now reeks of Laker. But Owners is really a travel agency cum air broker. It books seats on planes rather than buy or borrow them, and Laker's crash steered cus-tomers Neill Scott's way.

Beer gets a new advocate



Alan Tilbury

What is the missing ingredient the brewers need in their trade association? Sadly, a long experience in the corridors of power. Leaving the industry is Ronald Matthews, who foined the Brewers' Society as a 15-shillings-aweek office boy in 1933. He replaced by Alan Tilbury.
Reflecting the need to fight
off the EEC's ideas of what
makes a good pint, as well as Reflecting the need to fight off the EEC's ideas of what makes a good pint, as well as persuading port-drinking ministers that beer is already taxed enough, Mr Tilbury has been hired because of his legal knowhow. He was once legal knowbow. He was once Attorney-General of Bechua-

Something, soon will be done about the plight of the downtrodden engineer who has for so long been ignored as a candidate for the boardroom in preference to those equipped with a "real" education. education. A new company called Gaming Executives Ltd. has been set up by an exmanager of Rolls-Royce, Ralph Laing (20 years in management) to offer to the production manager and the engineer the chance to become top dog — for a day. Experience, claims Executive Gaming, which takes five or six years of normal working to assimilate can be com-pressed into a few days.

Ken Baker's pet Forum

A funny thing happened to Kenneth Baker on the way to the Forum yesterday: he found a computer there. Baker is the Minister for Information Technology and

the Forum is the name of the library on theground floor of the Institute of Directors'

Club in Pail Mall.
Baker, a member of the nearby Atheneum and Carlton, was there for that unlikely addition to clubland, an ICL 2904 computer. Now, IoD members in town can not only lounge in the club's armchairs but feed into the computer their firms' figures and get advice on how to keep out of the red.

John Chandler is director of

REW APPOINTMENTS

Sir Peter Matthews, chairman of Vickers has been elected president of the Engineering Employers' Federation. Also elected were two new vice-presidents: Mr Allan Greenwood deputy chairman of British Aerospace; and Mr Duncan McDonald, chairman of Northern

Engineering Industries. Engineering Industres.
Mr Dennis Adams, Mr Ronald
Bessell, Mr Douglas Bull, Mr Ian
Cox, Mr Amir Eilon, Mr Bernard
Jolles, Mr John Kibble, Mr Paul
Manley, Mr Terence Simonian
and Mr Nigel Tapley have been appointed directors of Samuel

Montagu International. Mr John Cowland, Mr Frank Ellis and Mr Tom Niccum have been appointed directors of 3M United Kingdom.

America's car industry is making huge losses. Bailey Morris reports

Why Detroit is praying for an economic upturn

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Washington Like dominoes, American car companies are falling prey to the continuing American recession, reporting huge losses like the one losses like the one announced this week by the Chrysler Corporation, weakest of Detroit's "big three" firms weakest of Detroit's "big three" firms.

For months, Wall Street analysts have been talking of "depression-like conditions" in the industry, correctly predicting that the Ford Motor Company, which reported a \$1,060m (£576m) loss last week, would have devastating results and that Chrysler would report yet another annual loss in the region of \$500m.

region of \$500m, In the event Chrysler's fourth quarter results were somewhat better than expected (a loss of \$66m compared with \$235m in the comparable period in 1980) and the full year loss was fractionally short of predic-tions at \$476m. But that is cold comfort for Chrysler:

losses are running at about twice the level the company had set itself as a target.

Even General Motors, which earned a modest profit of more than \$300m in 1981, lost money on its primary, car-making business last

The industry is in very bad shape and experts expect the dismal conditions to continue into the second quarter of

Sales volume in the indus-try has been down by as much as 40 per cent some years of poor sales, Chrysler months, and prices are too is living a hand-to-mouth high (averaging \$10,000 a existence, Ford is living off car). Consumers are simply its assets, and General refusing to buy.

There are growing fears both in Congress and on Wall Street that Chrysler may not be able to survive another year like 1981. "I don't think Chrysler can

last much more than a year, if conditions like these continue", says a veteran Detroit-based car industry analyst.

analyst.
Despite impressive gains made by Chrysler last year, in which it lopped more than two-thirds off 1980's record loss of \$1,700m, the company is still in a very tight cash-

bank amounting to more than \$400m, gives the company reserves of about \$750m which may appear substantial but is not when it is realized



Mr Lee lacocca, Chrysler chairman - The K-Car helped boost sales in 1981, but the company is still in deep financial trouble.

After two consecutive its assets, and General Motors is cutting back

sharply.

If high interest rates persist and car sales in North America continue to slump, the worst scenario outlined by analysts is that Chrysler will be forced into bank-ruptcy; Ford will suspend North American car operations and concentrate on its profitable overseas units; and General Motors will emerge the surviving domestic

The Reagan Administ-ration has made it very clear that this time there would be no government bail-out in the form of loan guarantees and other types of cash assist-

But no one really expects the worst to occur. To prevent it from happening, been cutting costs substantially in the past year by trimming their labour forces and closing down unprofitable plants. General Motors 5,385,282 4,5
Since 1979, Chrysler has possesse car sales (excluding deports) in units

that Chrysler must have cut its labour force in half, fused to concede the sizable \$250m on hand each Friday from a high of 140,000 in the "givebacks" in wage and just to meet its payroll and good, car-selling years to benefit concessions refrom a high of 140,000 in the good, car-selling years to about 70,000 now. Ford has closed five plants and laid off Company officials say one-third of its workforce which now stands at about probable if the economy fails to pick up and an agreement

In addition, both Chrysler negotiate remarkable con-cessions with the United Auto Workers (UAW) who have agreed to cuts in wages and benefits in return for job guarantees. These deals, together with the cutbacks, should help to make Chrysler

and Ford a good deal more

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HOW SALES HAVE FALLEN

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to pick up and an agreement with the union is not reached and Ford have managed to before the present contract expires on September 15.
Rumours that GM is pre-

pared to close as many as 12 additional plants between now and September have been circulating on Wall Street and this same figure was mentioned in a recent article on the industry in

efficient.
General Motors, the only major company which has not reached agreement with the union, will have to make industry analysts say that big cuts in the months ahead.
Officials at General Motors announced four plant closures after talks with the UAW were broken off because union members rethered Takes with the Carse union members rethered Takes Week magazine.
There are no estimates of how many workers these closures would affect but closures would affect but closures and affect but closures and affect but closures and affect but closures and affect but closures would affect but closures and affect but closures are considered to the control of the control

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pected to improve markedly until volume rises substan-tially. This will not happen until the economy improves and the major companies find ways of rekindling public interest in their products. Even in 1978 — the last good year for domestic companies when they pro-

duced more than 9.1m carsconsumers were beginning to display a decided lack of enthusiasm for Americanmade cars.
This trend has continued

as consumers put off car purchases in record num-bers, partly because of econ-omic conditions and partly because "they don't like the cars", says an analyst at stockbrokers Bache, Halsey, Stuart, Shields.

Chrysler, with its popular K-Cars, was the only American car maker to show an increase in unit sales in 1981, thus moving its share of the domestic market up to 11.8 per cent from 10 per cent in

The General Motors J-Cars, did badly because they were both "too expensive and too slow for an American-made vehicle", the Bache analyst

In contrast to the good years, when domestic companies made almost 10 million cars a year, volume last year dropped to 6.2 million cars and in the first quarter of this year, the production rate was even lower.

Given the massive investment by the companies in modernized production facilities, these low volumes cannot be tolerated. Altogether, the big three compa-nies will spend an estimated \$85,000m to upgrade facilities during the period from 1979

to 1985. Mr Lee Iacocca, chairman of Chrysler, says his company has done everything it can to stimulate sales and the next step is up to the Government.

"At some point, the Federal Government is going to have to face up to the very serious problems of economic stagnation in this country. In the short term, it is going to have to get some people back buying cars, trucks and houses," Mr Iacocca said

"The Government ought to get into the rebate business on its own, in the form of a \$1,500 investment tax credit for the purchase of a new, fuel-efficient car or truck," Mr lacocca said.

He believes this could save the industry by increasing sales an estimated 1 million units a year and putting more than 250,000 people back to

Business Editor

ICI's note of caution

The mood at Milibank has changed appreciably from a year ago when ICI seemed to be making almost a political point about Government economic strategy by talking gloomily about the trading outlook and cutting the dividend for the first time in 40 years the first time in 40 years.
At least there is now an underlying confidence that the group has taken itself in hand by reshaping the business to cope with a changed trading environment in the 1980s and 1990s. But the tone from yesterday's statement makes it clear that ICI expects to get little help from the market-

What ICI, and for that matter the rest of the world chemical industry, is having to adjust to is much slower rates of growth. Even if the industry could match its earlier expansion of around twice the increase of gross national product, it would still be left with acres of overcanacity. overcapacity.

Even now there are about 30 per cent more ethylene plants than required, so what ICI was warning yesterday was not to expect the chemical cycle to be repeated this time with a sharp pick up to a peak sometime in 1983. The world is not going to behave like that any more for the

chemical industry.

Meanwhile, ICI's final quarter proved as robust as outsiders expected with fourth quarter pre-tax profits up to £114m, against £86m in the stronger-than-expected third quarter and last year's yery depressed last year's very depressed £7m. Confusing the picture, however, was a £20m cur-rency bonus on export debts arising in earlier

There are at least two elements in the pre-tax profits recovery from £284m to £335m for the full year. One is simply the absence of the previous year's configuration of dverse circumstances-world recession, high adverse interests rates, strong sterling and cost pressures. Some of those factors are still hurring ICI.

The recession is not helping with chemical volume in the fourth quarter only 2 per cent ahead. Weakness in Britain is being compensated by a stronger showing in West-ern Europe. The stirling-Deutschemark rate is not proving so injurious and an export business losing £200m the previous year scraped back into the black

ICI has also taken steps to put its house in order with the restructuring last year, which cost the group another E50m, from overall fixed costs. And the capital spending programme has been cut from £724m to £411m which together with lower working capital needs has allowed the group to live within its cash flow.

The mood at Milibank has no deterioration in the balance sheet to suggest any money- raising moves except if the group wants to expand in the United States as the new chairman ap-pears to be thinking.

Perhaps the best measure of ICI's confidence comes in the dividend where the in the dividend where the increases in the gross distribution from from 24.3p to 27.1p is at the top end of expectations, particularly when it is uncovered on current cost figures. The near 12½ per cost giald at 228p accepted. cent yield at 328p suggests more scope for the shares after this week's setback with profits heading back towards £500m this year and full dividend restoration.

Insurance First report

The first report of the Insurance Ombudsman confirms what everyone outside the insurance industry (and some within) knew to be the case — that there is a need for an impartial arbitration service to deal with the public's insurance

Complaints.

During the first nine months of operation the Ombudsman received more than 1,500 enquiries though only 441 concerned the 44 member companies of the Ombudsman's Bureau, set up on the initiative of three of the big insurers, General Accident, Guardian Royal Exchange and Legal and

Predictably, household insurance provoked the greatest number of complaints closely followed by motor insurance. In 59 cases the insurance company concerned improved its original offer to the policyholder.

But the overall im-pression is that the largest number of complaints arise because policyholders either do not understand their policies, do not read them, or have been misled. "I am disturbed by the number of people who tell me that because they do not underbecause they do not under-stand forms, or cannot read very well, they let someone else fill in the details on their proposal form and then sign without checking it," commented Ombudsman James Haswell.

The report has received

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from the British Insurance Brokers Association. The association points out that the Ombudsman received more than twice as many enquiries about non-member companies as about member companies as about member companies, which lends additional support to the statement by Reginald Eyre, MP, Parliamentary Secretary for Insurance Affairs, who expressed the hope that the insurance industry would consider the advantages to the consumer. advantages to the consumer of an industry-wide Certainly there has been, complaints procedure.

US and Japan: the chips are down

TECHNOLOGY: SEMICONDUCTORS

By Clive Cookson

another important product that will be supplied from the other side of the Pacific.

To keep a sense of perspec-tive, however, it is important to remember that the Japa-nese firms have only domi-nated one sector of the semiconductor industry: they are taking about 70 per cent Semiconductor engineers of the 64k RAM (random strive to pack their inte-

be falling into Japanese hands, but the leading edge of microprocessor technology is still very much American territory.

the industry's main annual showcase, several American companies announced morcompanies announced mor-ale-boosting advances in Packard in the 32-bit micromicroprocessor technology.
Most spectacular is HewlettPackard's success in cramming 660,000 transistors on

for dense packing. Hewlett-Packard is putting into production a set of six such "superchips", which provide three to eight times the circuit density of other commercially available processors. Together they form so far. the nucleus of a minicompu-

Semiconductor engineers

are in the category known as 32-bit microprocessors. That hands, but the leading edge
of microprocessor technology is still very
American territory.
At this month's International Solid State Circuits
Conference in San Francisco,
the industry's main annual relies on now.

processor field is the American semiconductor company Intel. which announced a set of three 32-bit chips last ming 660,000 transistors on year. Intel's devices are less to a silicon chip — comfortably beating previous records impressive than Hewlett-Packard's in terms of density igures to compare per-formances are not available - and they have not yet been

for your office desk".

Circuits on the new
Hewlett-Packard chips are
one micron (a millionth of a
metre) wide. That must take
the conventional method of making chips -- photographing the circuitry on to the silicon and then etching it out chemically - , to its ultimate limit.

of the 64k RAM (random access memory) chips sold on the open world market. Admittedly, it is the most competitive segment, and one where comparisons are most closer together because the system can perform faster if the pop press but in heavy-weight books, among them Techniques of Scenario Planting (with Reed economist Paul Cockle), just out from McGraw-Hill.

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put on the open market. The Japanese industry has not come up with a similar device.

Japanese lead is not as clear cut as some United States commentators have made out. For the American firms that are thought to be that are thought 10 be great growth potential for furthest ahead are the twin two or three years before the giants of information technology, 18M and AT&T. large numbers. And the mology, 18M and AT&T. large numbers. And the ing 64k RAM chips for use in their own products — com- share, even if they could,

In San Francisco this month, the company announced a new series of signal pro-cessors which can convert

signals from the digital (one-

Within the last year the semiconductor industry has lost the race with the Japanese to mass-produce the latest generation of, memory chips. That description of the computer, and Hewlett-Packard may be the first company whose salesmen can microprocessor, containing up to 660,000 transistors on each quarter-inch square of silicon. It is wired to a copper-cored computer board.

a moving target that will be hard to shoot down: conductor trade statistics.

hard to shoot down:

Texas Instruments is steadily announcing members of leap in chip storage capacity. AT&T's manufacturing substituted generation? 16-bit sidiary, Western Electric, will microprocessors, claimed to start making a 256k RAM be the fastest in the world. later this year, and IBM is The company's strategy will be to sell them hard for 288k RAM. But, again, both application outside the electronics industry. The chips their whole production inhouse. tronics industry. The chips would be in the front line of house. The only American company that is ready to go for the 256k market is Motorola, which seems to be emerging the campaign to automate production in the traditional production in the traditional heavy industries.
On top of its leading position in general-purpose microprocessors, Texas Instruments is committing considerable resources to the development of special chips as the most successful of the struggling United States "merchant" semiconductor

considerable resources to the development of special chips also the only American firm for telecommunications — a market growing by 20 per cent a year and projected to reach £5,500 million by 1991. The Con Expression this mouth. Inmos, Britain's state-fund-ed attempt to break into semiconductor mass-pro-duction, is getting ready to make 64k RAM chips this summer at its new factory in Newport, South Wales. It is off) language of computers summer at its new factory in to the analogue (smooth Newport, South Wales. It is wave) form of the human voice. Potential applications include speech recognition and synthesis.

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the same quantity of infor-mation as this article, but Inmos executives still hope that their chips will offer a superior performance The 64k RAM market has great growth potential for two or three years before the 256k chips come on stream in large numbers. And the Japanese cannot afford to

16-bit microprocessor market puters and telecommunibecause they dare not pro-actions equipment — for voke the United States into long. Motorola and Texas about three years. But they curbing imports of semicon-ductors; protectionist noises presenting the Japanese with a market and therefore do not are now being heard across show up in the world semi-the Atlantic, with the Department of Defence muttering. ment of Defence muttering about a threat to national security from Japan's pen-etration of the memory chip market. If import controls are introduced. Inmos need not suffer, because it has a factory in Colorado in which to manufacture behind the

In the long term, Inmos's fortunes may rest on a new type of chip, the "transputer", which the company plans to introduce in 1984. More than any other semi-conductor, it will combine the functions of the two types of chip, microprocessor and memory, in a single piece of silicon. That really will be a "computer on a chip"

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Information for Siemens shareholders International orders up one-third

Sales. In the first three months of the current 1981/82 financial year - i.e. from October 1 to December 31, 1981 - Siemens achieved sales of £2,043m, an increase of 13% over the comparable figure of the preceding year. German domestic business pulled slightly ahead of International business with a gain of 15% vs. 12%. While sales in electrical installations and components stagnated under the influence of a sagging economy, and growth in data systems and the lamp business was less than 10%, the power plant, medical engineering, and communications sectors showed gains of more than 15%.

New orders. The continuing weakness of the German economy was reflected clearly in the structure of new orders. Business in the Federal Republic of Germany showed a slightdecline to £975m from last year's £979m. Major awards from OPEC countries were the primary factor in a 36% increase of new international orders, which climbed to £1,546m. Siemens thus recorded an overall total of £2,521m in new orders during the first quarter. 19% more than for the same period a year ago. Major contracts valued individually at over £7m accounted for some 20% of this amount. The two large Groups, Power Engineering and Communications, were particularly successful in acquiring contracts for sizable projects in the Middle Eastern oil countries as well as in Australia, Indonesia, and Nigeria. Power engineering, power plant business, and medical engineering achieved growth rates of over 25%.

Total orders in hand reached nearly £12.3bn, 5% more than at the close of the 1980/81 financial year. Inventories rose during the first quarter from £3,920m to £4,025m, thereby growing perceptibly slower than sales.

Employees. Major contracts like those mentioned must first go through the project planning stages and generally take several years to implement; moreover, the performance of certain portions is assigned to local subcontractors in the customer's country. For these reasons such contracts do not initially increase plant capacity utilization, with the result that the number of our

employees continued to decline. Overall, there was a 2% drop during the first quarter to 331,000 people. Of this total, 225,000 are working in the Federal Republic of Germany and Berlin (West) and 106,000 abroad, in each case 2% fewer than a year ago. Since capacity utilization continues to be unsatisfactory. It is possible that in addition to the reduction of personnel by natural wastage some layoffs will have to be made on a selective basis.

Employment cost. The average number of our employees for the first quarter was 334,000 -3% less than last year's comparable figure.

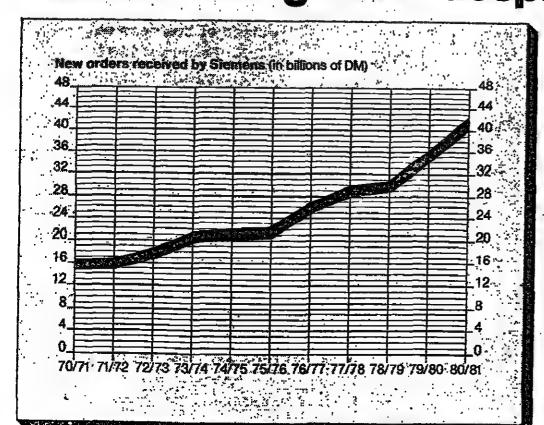
Employment cost, however, rose to £927m as against £866m last year.

Capital expenditure and investment. Primarily due to weather-induced project delays, the figure for capital expenditure and investment was 19% lower than for the first three months of the preceding year.

Net income. There was a slight rise in net income, although the rounded and translated figure (£33m) remained the same as last year's. At 1.6%, the net profit margin was thus below the 1,8% for the comparable period a year ago, but above the total year's average of 1.5%.

| in £m | 1/10/80 to 31/12/80 | 1/10/81 to 31/12/81 | Change |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| New orders | 2119 | 252t | #19X |
| Domestic business International business | 979 1,140 | 975 1,546 | 0% +36% |
| Sales |) · | 2,043 | - 13% |
| Domestic business International business | 845 962 | 968 1,075 | +15% +12% |
| in £m | 30/9/81 | 31/12/81 | Change |
| Orders in hand | 11,700 | 12274 | 240 5 75-2 |
| inventory () | 3,920 | 4,025 | 7.3% |
| In thousands | 30/9/81 | 31/12/81 | Charige |
| Employees | 338 | 33174 | - 2% |
| Dolnestic operations International operations | 230 108 | 225 106 | - 2% - 2% |
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| Net income after laxes | 33 | 77. 9 33 % | 9 - |
| n % of sales | 1.8 | 1.6 | |

Accelerated growth despite recession



has increased two and a half times over the last decade. The last two financial years have shown particularly vigorous growth, with new order gains of 19% and 18%. In the first quarter of the current financial year Siemens again saw a 19% rise in new orders despite a persistently unfavourable world economy. While orders from the Federal Republic of Germany remained at last year's levels, international orders increased 36%.

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BUSINESS NEWS

ROWNTREE

Profit rise reinforces Huntley bid

added fuel to its £72.6m bid for Humley and Palmer yesterday with pretax profits for last year showing a 23 per cent rise to £40.6m. Although profits

below forecasts it was enough to see Huntley's share price drop 2p to 105p, which matches the price placed on the group by Rowntree's offer, a mix of cash and shares. Rowntree's shares, down at first 2p at 164p, recovered to 168p.

The figures for the year to January 2, based on management estimates and unaudited, have been brought forward to present with the proposed and new share-holders, assuming the bid goes through, would rank for the final.

per cent interest acceptance of the offer. CCP's chief asset is a cent net production into

Rowntree, which has had a

Nor, he said, did it conflict with Rowntree's plans for further expansion in the United States,, indicated at last year's £42m rights issue. "We have been looking in the US but have not yet found the right profitable business. This bid does not stopo us looking," he said.

The main thrust of Rown.

The main thrust of Rown tree's argument is that Hunt-ley, with estimated profits of £7.5m for 1981 and total borrowings of £38m or gear-ing of 49 per cent, cannot afford to update plant and machinery and improve its competitiveness.

The merger, it says, would benefit Huntley in the long-term by providing the capital **PLESSEY**

30pc better

Plessey, the British elec-tronics giant has announced a 30 per cent profits increase for the first nine months of the financial year to January

1, 1982, compared with the same period last year.

Pre-tax profits for the last quarter rose to £27.5m from £22m the previous year, bringing the nine-month total. ringing the nine-month total ny's operations were him eradicate the losses of the dered by the strength of the first six months. The shares Australian dollar. Neverther rose 1p to 17p. to £78.7m from £60.7m.

tributed substantially to the growth of the company, operating profits rising to £37m in the first nine months of the year compared with £29m last time.

Telecommunications provides the group with about half of its profits.

Aerospace and engineering increased their profits by 14 per cent, while microelectromics rose by 26 per cent.

Third quarter sales were f224 for compared to the

£224.6m compared to the £204.3m level of the previous year, bringing the total for the nine months to £673.9m compared with £603m a year earlier.

Third quarter earnings per share were 7.17p, up from £590 and the nine month

6.590 and the nine-month earning per share level was 20.59p, compared with 16.75p the previous year interim dividend is 3.542p, up 10 per CHARTERHOUSE

Bid for CCP

emerged yesterday as the bidder for CCP North Sea Associates, a small North Sea exploration investment company in which Mr Algy Cluff's Cluff Oil holds nearly 30 per cent of the shares

30 per cent of the shares.

CCP's shares, which are traded on the Unlisted Securities Market, were suspended last week at 145p pending details of the bid approach. Last night they rose to 1850.

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The terms are that Charter-house Petroleum is offering two of its own shares plus 50p in cash for each ordinary share in CCP. At last noght's closing price for Charter-house shares of 71p, they value the bid at about £15— or 192p a share.



Mr Kenneth Dixon, chairman Rowntree Mackintosh.

Subject to shareholders' approval, Cluff Oil has undertaken to recommend the bid and will pledge its own 29.9

CCP's chief asset is a 6 per cent net production interest in the North Sea's Buchan strategic investment for 10 years in Huntley and Palmer and owns 23.8 per cent of the equity, has been rejected by the Huntley board who describe the bid as "wholly inadequate and unwelcome".

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Mr Kenneth Dixon, head of the chocolate group, said again the bid was not a defensive move prompted by Allied-Lyons building up its 4 per cent stake at the end of last year.

Nor, he said, did it conflict with Rowntree's plans for further was a said of the shares in Charterhouse Petroleum. The proceeds will help to finance Cluff's other explorations in the North Sea.

RENSON

Payout warning Renson Goldfields Consoli-

dated, the mining company formed last year from Con-solidated Gold Fields' Australian interests, made a pretax loss of A\$4.87m (£2.86m) in dividend of 5 cents has been declared, but Mr Max Roberts, RGC's chairman, warned that in the full year shareholders may not receive the 50 cents forces at the the 50 cents forecast at the time of the merger.

metal prices, industrial dis- from £2.5m to £2.1m. This, putes, and loss of production for results below those expected. The advantages of high tin prices were more than offset by industrial disputes, and the company warns that tin prices are falling again.

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New chairman

The attempts to stop the decline quickly at UU Textiles, formerly Universal Underwear, have begun at the top.

On the way out is Mr Jeffery Dunn, Chairman, who was appointed in July last year after the resignation of Mr Richard Ratner, the former chairman who still holds about 60 per cent of the

equity. In his place is elected Mr Colin Chambers, the present finance director.

Meanwhile, the ladies and children's wear group of Lincoln has disclosed a sudden deterioration in half year figures from a profit of F24,000 into a loss of £29,000.

Losses attributable to shareholders amount to £42,500
against £4,500, after taking in
financing costs amounting to
£21,700 compared with

The group continues to blame pressure on margins The company blames low which caused sales to fall

alling again.

Output from Mount Lyell, are between 50 and 60 per the copper mine, fell because the mine plan dictated that comparable period last year.

lower grade ore be won.

Mineral sand production confident that the group will suffered form depressed ti-

The Royal Bank of Scotland **Interest Rates**

The Royal Bank of **Scotland Limited** announces that with effect from close of business on February 25, 1982, its Base Rate for lending is being decreased from 14 per cent per annum to 13½ per cent per annum. As from close of business on March 1. 1982, its Mortgage Rate is being reduced to 15 per cent per annum.

BANK OF SCOTLAND

Base Rate

The Bank of Scotland intimates that, as from 25th February 1982, and until further notice, its Base Rate will be decreased from 14% PER ANNUM to 131/2% PER ANNUM.

LONDON, BIRMINGHAM & BRISTOL OFFICES — DEPOSITS

The rate of interest on sums lodged for a minimum period of seven days or subject to seven days notice of withdrawal will be 11% PER ANNUM, also with effect from 25th February, 1982.

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The legacy of an ambitious and successful past caught up with mother football club yesterday. Hull City, with bank debts of 1350,000 decided to admit defeat and called in a receiver. The club will be put up for sale, but hope to finish the season's pro-

in funish the season's programme.

Hull, whose weekly losses have risen to 19,000 a week, have been kept solvent only by the stubborn determination of one man, Christopher Needler, the chairman. He has written off armitterest-free loan of 1370,000 to reduce a bank overdraft of 1700,000 and given a bank quarantee of 1225,000. A local company, which is building a supermarket and sports complex

Several World Cup team managers converged on the Luis Casanova stadium in Valencia on

(asanova stadium in Valencia on Wednesday night, Ron Greenmood, of England, Billy Bingham of Northern Ireland, Konstantin Reskov, of the Soviet Union, Inza Beatzot, of Italy, and Guy Thys, from Belgium, were among them. All agreed that a 3-0 score for Spain against Scotland was untrageous misrepresentation.

Two penalties and an admittedly brilliant third goal from tallego, five minutes from the

tiallego, five minutes from the cod, overcame the Spanish crowd's increasing frustration, But, as Mr Greenwood said, the third goal which gave the score such a false impression was taken when the game was "over". The first penalty, which Rough saved before Victor successfully followed up, was slightly barsh and no team can thim true satisfaction when a rucial second goal also comes

crucial second goal also comes

from a penalty.

There were no dramatic appeals against an inexperienced referee's penalty decisions, partiv, no doubt, because the Scots realised that Spain's tactics of high speed breakaways were always likely to force defenders into hasty joterventions. That, at least, was a lesson for Scotland to remember when they return to

10 remember when they return to Spain for the World Cap later

this year. McLeish, who gave away the first penalty, needs to show more forsight under

Generally, the match offered selection.

outrageous misrepresentation.

Brazil: busy,

Lopez-Ufarte and the menace of

Quini, when he arrives as substitute, they were unimpressive. Without Zamora to guide them in midfield, they conceded that area to Sources and Hartford.

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Scotland bad no wings at all, and the enforced experiment clearly failed. Brazil often moved wide, but only in an effort to take defenders with him. Unhappily, his busy performance on a poor pitch was unfulfilled and his ipswich colleague, Wark, was rarely seen looking for goals as he does for his club. Both must be in serious danger of being omitted from Scotlands' final selection.

Varta did not say by how much 1981 earnings tell from the 1980 figure of DM28.5m, and would not say how its 1981 dividend would

compare with the DM11.9 per share paid out for 1980.

at the ground, have also loaned 1240,000 interest free. But Mr Needler finally decided enough is enough. He has called in Martin Spencer, the new financial director of Chelsea, who is also a partner in firm of chartered accountants.

Mr Spencer said that he would endeavour, to restructure the club on a sound financial basis so that it could be sold as a going concern. It will be advertised for sale in the Financial Times next Thursday.

"My job is to get as much as humanly possible for all classes of creditors and to try to keep the club going for the people of Hull," Mr Spencer said. "If the club could get crowds of between the club could get crowds of between the club could get crowds of between the deadline.

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Last,000 — £87,000 more than
third division Bristol City who
came within minutes of extinction three weeks ago, when eight
of their highest paid players
agreed to accept redundancy
offers just before the deadline.
Bristol City's weekly losses were
only £4,000. Mr Needler has
agreed to foot the wage bill until
the end of the season.
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Britain and sign a professional contract with the Second Di-vision club was turned down by the Home Office early this

month.

He told reporters he was "bitterly disappointed" at his reception in Norwich. "Nobody seemed to know what was happening at the club, and with the odd exception they didn't seem to care," he said.

What is claimed to be the world's largest artificial playing surface was opened by the Sports Council yesterday at Bisham Abbey. The pitch covers 11,000 square metres and cost more than £600,000. Southampton manager Lawrie McMenemy performed the opening ceremony.

O Nottingham Forest vice-chairman Fred Reacher denied

yesterday that manager Brian Clough was to join Derby County. "Brian Clough will not be leaving the club" said Mr Rescher. "In fact, we are considering extending bis present contract, which has 15 months to run."

Aston Villa have full-back

an outsized ambition. The Needler family took over the cipb
after the Second World War and
spent boldy in an attempt to hoist
them into the first division. The
putential was there and in those
heady post war years league
attendances rose to 40,000, and
over \$5,000 came to watch Hull
play Manchester United in an FA
Cup tie in 1949.

But managers of the calibre of
Major: Frank Buckley, Raich
Carter, Bob Brocklebank and
Terry Neil failed to achieve that
ultimate goal. In 1978 They were
relegated from the second
division. In recent years they
first lured Billy Bremer to
Boothierry Park as player-coach
and then Mike Smith, the highly
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Scots gain sympathy Rufer opts Runcorn dig a glorious hole for home if not result and worry their manager fixture By Norman Fox Wellington New Zealand, Peh 25. — New Zealand World Cup star Wynton Rufer arrived home yesterday and said he would not return to Norwich City even if the British government gave him a work permit. Rufer's application to stay in Britain and sign a professional

matches.

The 1955 semi-final was played in front of 27,000 people at Doncaster, and the 1957 final, which was televised live, before a Wembley crowd of 90,000.

Wycombe are hoping for a crowd of up to 5,000 — high by today's standards — for tomorrow's game.

almost taken over the game

Wycombe have just one player,

Runcorn, currently non-League football's most successful side, tomorrow face one of the most difficult hurdles yet in their pursuit of honours in four competitions this season. The Alliance Premier League leaders competitions into season, the Alliance Premier League leaders make the short trip across Cheshire for a third round FA Trophy match against Northwich Victoria.

Trophy match against Northwich Victoria.

As well as aiming for the league title and Trophy, Runcoro also have their sights set on the Bob Lord Trophy—the Affliance League's own cup competition—and the Cheshire Semior Cup. They are through to the semi-finals in both, and their victory over Northwich just 10 days ago in the county competition will give them an imporant psychological advantage tomorrow.

Success, however, does have its problems. John Williams, Runcorn's manager, said yesterday: "To be bonest we're left in too many competitions and we could be digging a hole for ourselves. We recently had to play four games in a week and lost two of them and I could see it was affecting our players. It would be no bad thing if we were knocked out of one of the cup competitions."

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No Alliance club has ever won the FA Trophy, but the Alliance League's challenge looks paricularly strong this year. Eight of tomorrow's last 16 are from the Alliance, and seven of them—
Alternatives.

Allance, and seven of them —
Altrincham, surprisingly, are the
exception — are in their league's
top nine places.
Last season's two Trophy
finalists. Sutton United and
Bishop's Stortford, both of the
lathman League, are at home to
Worcester City and Wittan Albion
respectively. respectively.
Witton, who beat Netherfield 6-

average finished at 825.82,

Volume slowed from yes-

terday's heavy pace to 54.8 million shares from 64.8

million.

O in a Northern Premier League
match on Tuesday, have his form
just in time for their first visit to
the Hertfordshire club Bishop's
Stortford, the Trophy holders,
who have been struggling for
consistency in the league this
season, and lost 1-0 at home to
Hitchin Town in midweek—a
game in which they were without
four injured players. Radford,
the former Arsenal striker,
Bradford and Brame should all
return tomorrow, but Worrell is
still recovering from broken ribs.
One Trophy tie tomorrow will

yesterday for Lesley Ann in the Cheltenham Gold Cup, and the mare is now 7-1 (from 8-1). The firm have also taken money for Morice for the Daily Express Triumph Burdle and have trimmed the odds from 25-1 to 20-1. Lester Piggott's mount, Bunter, is 14-1 (from 16-1) for the Lincoln One Trophy tie tomorrow will evoke many memories of the now defunct FA Amateur Cup. Bishop Auckland, record 10 times winners of the Amateur Cup, travel to Wycombe Wanderers in a repeat of both a 1957 final. Bishop Auckland won both matches.

The 1955 semi-final was played

□ Steve Smith Eccles has been Distere Smith Eccles has been booked by the Kildare trainer, Michael O'Brien to ride Tiger Whale in the Tote Placepot Hurdle at Kempton Park tomorrow. Niall Madden will partner Mick O'Toole's Busineto in the same race.

Youngsters let France down

standards — for tomorrow's game.

Wycombe have invited all the players from the 1950s games to be their guests at Loakes Park tomorrow. John Goldsworthy, their: secretary, said yesterday: "A lot of friendly rivalry built up between the two clubs, and we thought a rennion would be a good idea. One of our players has died, but I've been able to get in touch with all the others, and I understand four or five Bishop Auckland players will be coming down. In a way this reunion has almost taken over the game Troyes France Feb 25-France's Troyes France Feb 25—France's
2-0 victory over Italy on Tuesday
did not tub off on the under-21
team bers last night. Watched by
about 7,000 spectators — among
them Michel Hidalgo, manager of
France, — the home side
struggled to a disappointing 0-0
draw against Wales.
The Welsh, who beat the
French 2-0 in Newport last
October, were never scriously

October, were never seriously threatened and might have won with first-half shos from Pugh, Rush and Giles.—Agence France-Press.

Wembley on level, through the railings

Going to Wem-bu-lee is an emotional as well as physical journey, as it is for all football fans. In our hearts, we are always on our way to Wembley every year, tra la, though few of us ever get there.

One my way to see England very the composition of those twin towers through the tube window. The Northern Ireland this week I strained for the first sight of those twin towers through the tube window. The Northern Ireland fans all around started by singing Cockles and Muscles, which is surely Dublin, then switched to Danny Boy. Most people joined in. That is one good thing about going to Wembley. The partisans are human beings, friends in sport. At a League match, you usually make a detour when you are confronted by any gang of fans, even those from your side.

Wembley is a mausoleum of our times, but a magnificent one, built to celebrate the greater glory of our wonderful Empire. It is one of 30 or so buildings, many of them equally magnificent, which were created for the 1924 exhibition. Only the Stadium remains, I always want to stand

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many of them equally magnificent, which were created for the 1924 exhibition. Only the Stadium remains, I always want to stand on those handsome steps and work out where all the other pavilions once were, but my companion said, "Hurry up, let's set a programme". What a Philistine.

The first Wembley match I saw was the 1955 World Cup final, which is a nice way to begin. I've hored the family ever since. I was there. But it was all so emotional that I feel very much as most of the players felt afterwards, it passed in a flash and I can hardly remember the details.

On Tuesday pight we were on rather shaky wooden benches near the from, forced to peer through the iron railings. These were the cheapest seats and I had sent off for them two weeks before by filling in a form in an evening paper. You cannot expect a proper seat, not for fesse days. Its the view most coaches and managers get,

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On Tuesday night we were on rather shaky wooden benches near the from, forced to peer through the iron railings. These were the cheapest seats and I had sent off for them two weeks before by filling in a form in an evening paper. You cannot expect a proper seat, not for 16.50 these days. Its the view most coaches and managers get, level with the play, which always strikes me as dopey. You can see only half the game.

But we were right among the paying fans, which is what most football reporters never experience, nor do the people who control the game such as directors. Their view of football is so isolated, seen entirely in the company of people like themselves. It would help them all, especially directors, to know what the majority think and feel.

England's first goal was so early and so quick that we were all a bit stunned, especially as it happened at the other side and our perspective was all wrong. The excitement faded rather happened at the other side and our perspective was all wrong. The excitement faded rather quickly and it was strange to feel the crowd's discontent, even suger. There were groans whenever Wasson of Foster touched the ball, though everyone perked up when Anderson or Sansom came forward. By half-time,

screen did not show those buge empty spaces.

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Secondly, the TV gave few clues to the crowd's unrest. I listened bard for the booing I knew was there, but it was faded out or somehow lost. Hoddle appeared to play better than he had in real life. We only saw the bits he did quite well.

The interview with Ron Greenwood afterwards was largely gibberish I could not follow what he was on about. I wanted to know why he played Wilkins as a sweeper. Was he scared of Foster and Walson being swamped? Was it part of another tactic he was trying out? We should be told.

The big thing about paving your money is that we are all experts. We are all allowed to have our say, even those who are feedlish energy to consider.

have our say, even those who are foolish enough to consider Hoddle one of the wonders of the

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Hunter Davies

problems as they prepare for next week's european cup quarter-final against Dynamo Kiev. Villa have made an emergency application for a visa for Mark Jones, 20, who has yet to play in the first team and is now on standby for the trip to Simferopol in the Crimea. selection. Where Scotland succeeded was in their original approach. In the past, Scottish teams have tended to play away matches in much the same style as at home. In Valencia they were cool and unwound many sensible accurate passes, the fact-finding managers few guidelines for the World Cup If Spain are to follow Argentina and West Germany and be winning hosts, it will have to be on the wings of inspiration rother than superior ability. Apart from the wird speed of **BUSINESS NEWS/COMPANIES AND MARKET REPORTS**

INTERNATIONAL COMPANIES

Asahi Breweries of Japan reports that its unconsolidated net earnings in fiscal 1981 to December lell 14 per cent from 1980 chiefly as a result of moves to relocate workers displaced by growing

mechanization.
Nel earnings fell to Y1.316m (£3m) from Y1,530m (£3.6m).
Sales, though, showed rose 7.1 per cent, going up to Y188.425m from Y185.237m in fiscal 1980. Bridgestone of Japan vesterday reported a 42.1 per cent drop in atter-lax profits to Y14,180m

(about £32m) for the year ended December 31, from Y24,490m a year earlier.
The company blamed the poor

performance on a decline in domestic demand and a slump in market prices. Life insurers Allianz Lebensver-

sicherungs plans to pay an unchanged dividend of DM9 on 1981 results and transfer DM23m to reserves. The company, in a letter to shareholders, did not give its 1981 earnings but said the outlook for 1982 earnings was

BAT Industries of the United Kingdom is to reduce its 64.5 per cent equity stake in the Malaysian Tobacco to 49 per cent to allow 51 per cent local ownership by

Malaysian Tobacco's equity will be restructured throughs share issue or a direct sale to a Bumiputra institution.

batteries, reported that recession gold ball sales will only be a sales will only pressures squeezed its 1981 main offices.

The minimum lot of sale will probably be 100 grammes, the probably be 100 grammes, the grammes of the sales will be in worldwide turi DM1,620m (£373.9m)

Overseas Shipholding Group, Inc. In New York reported a rise in net operating income for 1981 to \$88.8m (£48.8m) from £77.2m (he The group's operating fleet now totals 75 vessels, its new building program comprises five vessels, scheduled for delivery in early

BTR Hopkins subsidiary of BTR Australia, yesterday announced pre-lax profits of A\$14.983m (£8.6m) lor the year ended December 31 1981. This is an increase of 85 per cent over the

previous year's A\$8.092m.

A final dividend of six cents per share has been declared, making

☐ The Wako Research Institute of Economics said in a survey report yesterday that it had revised downwards its Japanese corporate profit forecast for the six months ending next March 31. The months ending next March 31. The reasons for this were a slow recovery of domestic demand, and unexpected fall in the yen against the US dollar and slowing Japanese export growth.

CAPITAL MARKETS

issue or a direct sale to a Bumiputra institution.

Permodalan Nasional the state backed Bumiputra corporate group, bought 15.5 per cent of BAT's 30 per cent stake early last year to conform with the New Economic Policy requirement for a 30 per cent Bumiputra share.

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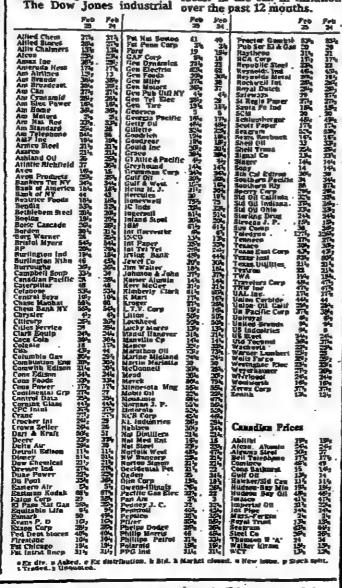
New York, Feb 25. Stocks were moving lower at the closing bell and finished the session mixed as its
efforts to keep yesterday's
rally going faded in late
trading.

Consumer prices rose by
0,3 per cent in January, the
smallest rise since July 1980.
The White House said

The bond markets also

eased during the afternoon.
The Dow Jones industrial

President Reagan's economic policies were the major factor in the fall in inflation over the past 12 months.



The company, blaming a fall in demand and competition from the 13 city banks. The federation of Regional banks will arrange for the banks to buy gold from the sources and advise banks each morning of the ruling price.

The regional banks will issue gold certificates at their 5,400 branches, throughout Japan, but gold bar sales will only be through main offices.

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Rowntree Mackintosh **

1981 Preliminary Announcement

The following is a summary of the unaudited results of the Group for the financial year 1981 together with comparative audited figures for 1980: 1981 £m £m Turnover..... 688.D 629.8 Trading profit..... 48.0 44.8 Interest 9.3 14.9 38.7 29.9 1.5 Share of associated companies' profits 1.5 Profit before taxation..... 40.2 - 31.4 Taxation..... 8.5 Profit after taxation 27.3 22.9 .Minority interests and preference dividends...... 0.2 Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders before extraordinary items..... 27.3 22.7

1. The Board is recommending a final ordinary dividend of 5.3p per share (1980 4.75p) which together with the interim dividend of 2.7p per share (1980 2.5p) makes a total ordinary dividend for 1981 of 8.0p per share (1980 7.25p) absorbing £10.9m based on the existing issued ordinary share capital (1980 £7.9m), if the offer for the Huntley & Palmer ordinary shares is fully implemented on the basis that no further employee share options are granted by Huntley & Palmer, the proposed 1981 final dividend on the new Rowntree Mackintosh ordinary shares to be issued thereunder would absorb £1.0m.

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The above figures have been prepared (a) in respect of Rowntree Mackintosh and its subsidiaries, on the basis of the above figures have been prepared (a) in respect of Rowntree Mackintosh and its subsidiaries, on the basis of the unaudited management accounts for the 52 weeks ended 2nd January, 1982 and (b) in respect of the Group's share of the profits of Huntley & Palmer's results for the 16 weeks ended 31st December, 1980 (derived from published financial data) and its published interim results for the 36 weeks ended 13th September, 1981.

Sales and profits of overseas subsidiary companies have been translated into sterling at year end exchange rates. Extraordinary items arising in 1981 (excluding Huntley & Palmer) are estimated as follows: adjustment on translation of overseas net assets into sterling—credit £5.4m (1980—debit £4.5m) provision for cationalisation costs—a debit £3.0m (1980—Niii)

provision for rationalisation costs – debit £3.0m (1980 – Nil).

Earnings per ordinary share for 1980 have been adjusted for the rights issue in 1981.

Current cost accounts will be included in the Annual Report.

Earnings per ordinary share.....

Chairman's Comments

As forecast in the Interim Statement last September, the full year's results for 1981 show a return to profits growth, a reversal of the trend of the two previous years. Profits before tax were 28 per cent. higher at £40.2 million. Group turnover was up 9 per cent.

The Board has decided to recommend a final dividend of 5.3p per ordinary share making a total for the year of 8.0p per share, being an increase of 10.3 per cent. over 1980.

In a year of general economic depression and intense competition within the confectionery industry. trading performances were encouraging. In the United Kingdom the confectionery division, continuing its policy of cost reduction and benefiting from price rises at the beginning of the year, improved its trading margins - although at the expense of some decline in sales volumes and market share. Our grocery business, Rowntree Mackintosh Sun-Pat, performed well with increased volume and improved trading margins. With the combined effects of the strong pound and high United Kingdom inflation still disadvantageous in many markets, 1981 proved to be a difficult year for our

exports; both sales and profits were substantially below 1980's exceptional performance. In Europe, where our objective continues to require the re-investment of profits to build strong, profitable brands, sales volumes increased by 4 per cent.; we believe we have the financial resources to continue a policy of investment in this important development area of the Group. The overseas division, which operates the more mature businesses in Australia, Canada, Ireland and South Africa, had a particularly successful year in terms of both sales and profits.

One of the main features of 1981 was the Group's very strong cash position. The contribution from shareholders in response to the rights issue, matched by continued, successful efforts to reduce working capital, was reflected in a lower interest charge. As a result the Group has entered 1982 with a strong financial base to support its strategy of investment in the United Kingdom and overseas - a strategy essential in your Board's view for the continued growth of the Group's earnings and dividends.

KENNETH DIXON

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CREAMOLA & PAN YAN PICKLES & TABLE JELLIES & SUN-PAT PEANUT BUTTER & CHEDDAR SPREATO

From Srikumar Sen, Copenhagen, Feb 25

about a person from his hand-shake. The solid grip that Colin. snace. The soin grip mat coin.
Jones gave me on arrival here
yesterday said rather more than
that the Welshman from Gorseinon was the strong, silent
type, which everyone knows. It
conficued that his injured right
hand has healed completely at
last

Too often in the past Jones has failed to allay fears about his damaged hand by proferring his datusged hand by proferring his last three fingers on meeting someone. When shortly after meeting Jones I spoke to the tall eager-faced Dane, who looks more like one of his country's table tenns teams team than the face the Weishman tomorrow night for the vacant European welterweight title. I thought how ironical it was that his name should be Hans Henrik Palm. He has been studying times of the one-handed Jones in action.

with Jones's hands in good shape, Eddie Thomas, his manager, assured me that his Eritish and Commonwealth champion will take a grip 'on matters from the first bell—well, after the first round. No repetition of the two

Minutes after Herol Graham, the British and Commonwealth light-middleweight champion, had prumelled his game challenger, Chris Christian, to a minth round defeat on Wednesday evening, he amounced to his devoted followers at Scheffield City Halt that he would now attempt to win the European title and then the world.

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The hoyish immorence of his voice made the suggestions sound preposterons until one recalled the brutally efficient performance he had just handed out. Criticized in the past for being immercessarily flashy and over-defensive, he rook one look at the modestly proportioned Christian and another at his bank belance and decided k was time to excite the world.

Brobby Naidoo, his manager, dischosed that he bad received offers from Australia, Korea and the United States, "In the end we shall go where the money is,

me shall go where the money is, and there is every chance that Herol will be given early exposure on American television." he said. The Americans would be more appreciative than, say, a London audience of his defendance on the control of the cont

sive qualities, which though hardly in evidence on his latest

to challenge

Graham decides to

excite the world

They say you can tell a lot bouts with Kirkland Laing when bout a person from his hand- Laing raced away to be thumped; take. The solid grip that Colin. well and truly only in the ninth well and truly only in the ninth round both times.

Palm, on the other hand, has had the benefit of the esperience of Jorge Hansen, his veteran stablemate, who is the only man to have beaten him twice, his only losses in 39 houts. Hansen is a hitter like Jones, so Palm has been learning how to hit and not be hit.

Jones's body shots are enough to double up the best and that is

to double up the best and that is what he aims to do to the Dane: double him up and follow through to the head as he did with Curtis Ramsey, the clever American, in Cardiff. Then Jones was a little too eager to clout him the second time and was disqualified.

Hansen, who is built like Jones, dropped Palm twice in their two encounters though the 26-year-old deputy picked himself up and carried on boxing.

So things are generally looking good for Jones, even though it is the Weisbman's first professional bour abroad. The Danish crowd usually come to see a boxing match rather than just their

ing match rather than just their man. Their exemplary behaviour

appearance, may still, I feel, remain his strategy.

The question of his punching power remains. Though he freely shook Christian dozens of times with solid lefts and jolting right hand leads, he failed to put the Londoner down, save for a slip in the founds, it is only fair to add that Christian has the heart and pride of a fighting cock.

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With a couple of good showings in the United States Graham may find his dreams of the future working in reverse order. William Benitez, the world champion, is more likely to feel confident about a march with the 22-year-old Graham that would Maurice Hope, who boxes for the European title on March 30. Hope has at last felt the breeze of Graham's whithwind climb to the top and will not want to endanger a return match with Benitez, Feb 25.—Amado Urusuz, the new World Boxing Council (WBC) junior flyweight champion, may make his first title defence ngainst the Japanese challenger Tadashi Tomori, in Japan, in mid-April. The Mexican relieved Hilario Zapata of the title on February 6 with a second-round knockout

often gives little help to the local boxer. If lones should hear the slow handclap he should not take it to be they want him to step up the action but that they are enjoying the contest Palm's record is impressive. He

Palm's record is impressive. He wou 54 of his 58 amateur bonts, losing in the 1976 Olympics to Vasily Solomin, the Russian lightweight. His professional record is, fust as good. Jones will be his 20th British opponent. Mineteen others, including Clinton McKenzie, the British and European light-welterweight champion, and four Welshmen-Chris Davies. Billy Waith, Horace Mackenzie and Gary Pearce—all fackenzie and to master the resilient Dane.

Pearce did rearce and manage to noor him; but he picked himself up and came back to outpoint the Welshman. But if Jones puts him down, and he should, Palm will stay down.

After Ray Cattouse's creditable draw in Italy on Wednesday night let us hope that Jones can start the winning run for the three others in line for European titles shortly: Maurice Hope, Pat Cowdell and Boza-Edwards.

Minter will help juniors

pionship, Alan Minter has deci-ded to retire. At the age of 30, he no longer had the desire to work his way back through the rankings to another world title attempt.

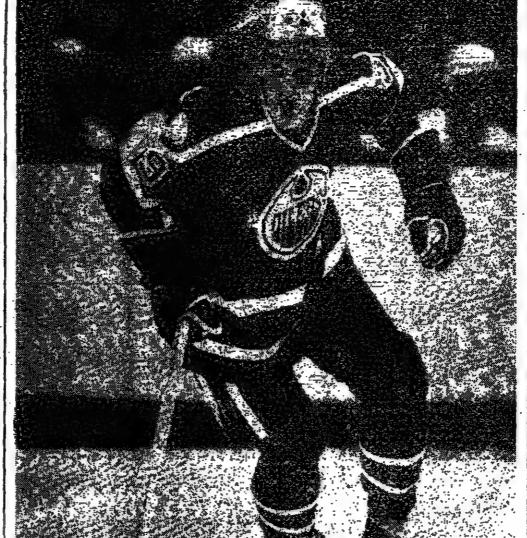
Knocked out by Tony Sibson last September, he saw even the European title and Sibson move farther into the distance on Sun-European title and Sibson move farther into the distance on Sunday when the Leicester man outpointed Dwight Davison to clinch his own world title date. Minter, who has always been keen to encourage the younger professionals in the sport, will plough back the fruits of his own experiences by helping to train and instruct junior ABA champions on week-long scholarships. This sponsorship, by DAP Trucks, was announced yesterday. It is thought to be the first limb between a professional boxer and the ABA, "Minter said: "It took me a long time to reach the decision. I spent many hours on my own and with my family thinking about it. Boxing is the only for I've ever done so it's very hard. It was a long, hard road but I had a good career."

His smatter and professional career spanned 18 years during which time he built up a reputation as a boxer who could punch. He was labelled "Boom-boom"

Firebrands

Stone, one of two Midland clubs to reach the final stages of the national indoor championship, sponsored by Rank Kerox, qualified for the semi-final round at Crystal Palace last night before a capacity crowd of 760. Their early sporkle enabled them to beat Firebrands, the Somerset champions, in an exching match.

In 1975, under a different format, Stone reached the last 16 when they lost to Tulse Hill. Having come through this time



ICE HOCKEY

Great Gretzky's goal record

From Ross Waby, New York, Feb 23

Wayne Gretaky, of the Edmonton Calera, scored his 77th, 78th and 79th goals of the professional ice backey season last night, breaking the old record of 76.
In the remaining 16 games of the National

In the remaining 16 games of the National Hockey League season he is expected to push the record close to 100. His feat, in a 6—3 defeat of the Buildelo Sabres, brought a telegram from President and Mrs Reagan. "Congratulations on your entraordinary achievement," it said.

Gressly stands space from other players. He is a slender young man, just turned 21, with soft, boyish features that are in marked contrast to the scarred, gap-toothed countenances that abound in the league.

He is one of the slowest and physically weakest professionals but opposing players believe he has the best perception and reaction. This gives him an advantage and opponents marvel at the way the puck appears to follow him.

"I've been doing it since I was six years old

--- HOCKEY

Stone cool Firebrands' ardour

from a touch qualifying group they did well to beat a more experienced side from the West Country whose fortunes were

luitative in a six minimes spell of fire and brimstone, running up a three-goal lead. In doing so John Greatholder achieved the first treble of the tournament. But the fire of the West Country club was not yet extinguished even though Stone had increased their lead to 4—0 through Robius. They tame back arrough Robius. They tame back arrough with Ewing converting a corner and Armstrong scored with his first fouch of the ball, having come on timely as a substitute.

Midsand clob seized the

New York, Feb 23

so now I don't think when I am on the ice."
Gretsky explains, "It just comes to me." He avoids violent, body checking. "When he is hit tougher colleagues exact retribution. Other players are in awe of him so great is his reputation and he is known as "tite Great Gretsky".

Before this season only two players had scored 50 goals in 50 games: Maurice Richard in 1944-45 and Mike Bossy last season.

Gretsky set a league record of 165 points—56 goals and 169 assists—lest season, and became the first player ever to averag more than two points a game. This season he has 176 points already.

Gretsky began starting at two and a ball on a home rink built by his father and entered organized bockey at six. His father told him that years of sacrifice would be rewarded.

That prophesy was realized last mouth when the Edmonton Oilers renegotiated Gretsky's contract, agreeing to pay him more than \$20m over the next 21 years.

GOLF

Nicklaus in lake and into lead

From John Ballantine Miami, Feb 25

Jack Nicklans drove into the lake that cuts into the 18th fairway of the 7,065 yard "Russ Monster" course here, but he stored 67 and was an early journ leader in the first round of the Doral Eastern Open today. The other leaders were Bobby Wadkins, the winner of the language Enropean open in 1978, and a little-known Californian, Eric Batten. With about a minute and a half to go Ewing converted a corner for Firebrands, but Figueredo made sure of victory for Stonewith a fine goal all on his own. Slough, the defending champions, also qualified for the semi-final round with a 6—0 victory over St Albans.

Mark James scored 68 and would trave joined them, had a well-struck birdle put from nine feet nor jumped in and out of the bole on the last green. Severiano Ballesteros, who represents the wost club, scored 69, after looking at one time as though he might overpower the long and testing course, with its many lakes coming into play at 12 of the 18 holes. Howard Clark had a modest 75; Sandy Lyle and Nick Faldo were out iate.

Nickiaus, whose marvellous 64 almost caught Johnny Miller on the last day at San Diego last month, is always a potent force in Flortda. He did not drive well, missing six fairways, but he hit 17 greens in reglation strokes. His only scripus error came at the 18th, which was his ninth hale, as he began on the teith tee.

"They have kent members'

hale, as he began on the testitee.

"They have kept members' caddy carta' off the fairways and out of the rough for about a month, and so the grass is longer than usual," he explained. "I didn't want to drive through the fairway and give myself a difficult he, so I cut the corner at the lake a bit. I was either five yards too left or five yards short. Either way, his hall mirked. Either way, his ball pitched into the water and he had to take a drop where it crossed the bank and ended up with a six. His three birdies on his second half restingtion fied once more to his amazing powers of concentration and

James put his excellent form down to the fact that he installed a net for the first time in his garden in Leeds this winter and

garden in Leeds this winter and thus was able to practice hard, even in the worst of the weather. "Going to South Africa for a month was another good way to get into top gear," he said.

"I'm swinging more freely than I usually do at this time of the season. My putter is warm instead of being ity," he said with an unexpected flash of verbal colour. His birdles were made mainly with wonderfully accurate approach irons, although he did hole a 15 footer for a two at the ninth and he chipped in from 30 feet with a sand wedge at the 14th.

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ROUND-UP

BADMINTON

Goode's defeat denies England clean sweep

By Richard Eaton

England spent yesterday after-noon at Huddersfield Sports Centre on the brink of their third successive title in the triangular challenge against Sweden and Japan, sponsored by Crest Hotels. They had an 11-point lead over Sweden with Japan in third place and three players in the semi-finals of the singles. It was a further display of the muscle that Eugland are beginning to flex in the international arena. the international arena.

the international arena.

At the last moment, though, they were checked by an attack of hiccups, First Torbjorn Petersson, a last-minute substitute in the fournament when Thomas Kinlström withdrew and ranked only eighth in Sweden, inflicted England's first defeat, when he beat a tentative and nervous Andy Goode, the national runner-up, 18—16, 15—10. That denied England the clean sweep of the semiland the clean sweep of the semi-finals they had been expecting.

There followed an even bigger surprise when Mike Tredgett and Martin Dew, the Friends-Provident Masters champions, were beaten 5—15, 15—10, 15—11 by the No 2 Swedish pair, Claes Nordin and Lars Wengberg. This put them into the final against Goode and Ray Stevens. The Swedes had to

sy after the title.

Sports the title.

Defear for Tredgett and Development there days after they had been announced second favore the total the proceedings for the title and over All-England championships. Nordin is one of badmining most unpredictable talents. The most unpredictable falents. Three years ago when Sweden bear England in the Thomas Configuration of the Thomas Configuration of the Thomas Configuration of the Stevens. A year later they succeeded them as Finely pean champions, a title they still hold. The season after the the pair was split and Novelle's fortunes suffered a decline. About the horders on the peningent to horders on the peningent.

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LATE RESULTS

RUGBY LEAGUE

Leigh lose main cogs

By Keith Macklin

Leigh officials feared the worst as they awaited the outcome of yesterday's disciplinary commit-tee meeting at Leeds and the

tee meeting at Leeds and the worst happened.

Leigh will face Hull Kingston Rovers on Humberside in the Challenge Cup second round tomorrow without their two key players, the pack leader Tommy Martyn and the scrum half Ken Green. Despite personal appearances, they received suspensions of one match and two matches respectively.

of one match and two matches respectively.

If Leigh are worst bit by the workings of justice other clubs have to play in this weekend's challengs cup ties without important team members. Although Wigan bave not lost main cogs, the experienced Shaw and the promising young McLaughlin, will not help their cause egainst the cup holders Widnes. Widnes will themselves be without their latest star discovery, the utility back Myler, who received a one-match suspension.

suspension.
In the case of Wigan's Shaw the player can feel that the fates have conspired against him. He appealed against his sending off

against Leigh last Sunday on the grounds of mistaken identity. He was found not guilty, but Nemes overtook him in the form of mo recorded cautions for which he received a one-match ban. received a one-match ban.

Hull Kingston Rovers did me get off scot-free. Their second row forward Burton was suspended for three matches. Fullian, who have an attractive bone ale against Hull, had their buoke. Dalgreen bauned for formatches, but at least this is partially neutralized by a one-map suspension given to Hull's hocker Wileman.

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Rochdale Hornets, who wist Halifax in the cup, will be will, out their forward Garside unit the winger Holland, who each received a one-match pumishment and McCarron, the Work lugton Town forward appealed against the one-match decision which would keep him



Michael Bonallack

Stay amateur,

says Bonallack Young golfers aiming to become professionals were given a fine warning yesterday by Michel Bonallack, Britain's most famous

amateur. Bonaliack, now 47, was speak ing two weeks before his project election as president of the English Golf Union. He revealed that 200 British player seek rebistatement as many youngsters form professional too soom. Last year, the European too remainer players had 100 perfessionals who played to ha average of plus two, and there is only one amateur goiler with the handicap in England. Bonallack said the Professional Golfers' Association used "goile personation" to make amateur realize the cost of turning professional. many voungsters turn profession

RUGBY UNION

Donovan recalled for fourth cap By Peter West, Rugby Correspondent ...

Alun Donovan, of Swansea, will and Gravell, who had played all splace his injured club colleague, four internationals for the Lins lavid Richards, in the Weish in South Africa in 1980, was entre for the international recalled for his Zist cap. replace his injured club colleague, David Richards, in the Weish pavin kichards, in the Wesh centre for the international against England at Twickenham on Saturday week. This is the only change to the side which beat France 22–12 in Cardiff. There is also one alteration among the reserves, the Cardiff lock, Robert Norster, coming in for Gareth Williams (Bridgend). The choice of Ray Gravell's

The choice of Ray Gravell's new international parmer provides Wales with a different pair of centres for the seventh game running, and the versatile Donovan with his fouth cap.

The dashing Cardiff centre, Pat Daniels, partnered Donovan against Australia last December and gave even the renowned Wallaby defence a lot of bother. Richards returned for the Irish international (lost 12—20 in Dublin) at the expense of Donovan, Then Daniels was dropped for the French match

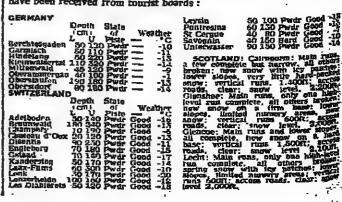
Pontypool's tight head proy, Graham Price, will win his 37th consecutive cap at Twickenber, overtaking the record for a Welsh prop held by Denzil Williams. The Welsh selectors have stated that Stuart Barnes; the Oxford University and Newport stand-off, was not considered Oxford University and Newport stand-off, was not considered when they chose their team, which suggests that, but for a groin strain, he might have been in line for one of the places among the reserves.

WALES: G Evans (Massis): A Ackerman (Newport). R W E Carsell (Lincelli), A J Donavan (Swanses): A Ackerman (Newport). R W E Carsell (London Welsh): W G Davies (Cardiff, Captain). T D Bointes (London): T D Swanses (London): R C Burges (Ebbw Vall). S Suiton (Pontypool). R D Newslave). JR Lewis (Cardiff): Swanses). JR Lewis (Cardiff): Squire (Pontypool). Replacements: M Dacey (Swanses). Suiton (Swanses). M Dacey (Swanses). Walliams (Swanses). W James (Abrasel). Walliams (Swanses). W James (Abrasel). W Norter (Cardiff).

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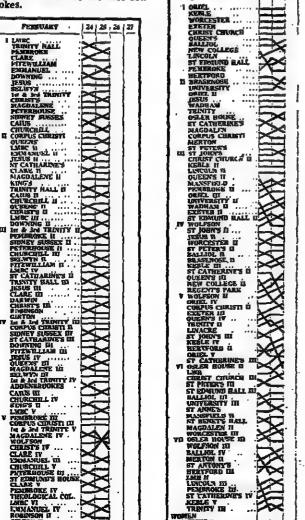
ROWING

By a Special Correspondent By Jim Railton

Clare moved into the challenger's constion when they caught the deposed head boat. Lady Margaret, to the cheers of the cheers me speciators at The Plough on the second day of Cambridge Lents. The new teaders, Trinite Hall, rowed over untroubled, but they were not too convincing over the second half of the course, so a fine race is likely tonight.

Although sparting mearer first post, Downing, clocked by the 1981 CURC prescident.

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| Palmer, at 45 off the start, again |
| failed to reach the corner, carch- |
| ing Fitzwilliam going into the |
| bend. |
| Caius continued to go for quick |
| kills, pouncing on Peterhouse |
| In the women's division it |
| appeared likely to be a seven- |
| boat convoy at the top, but Clare |
| caught Churchill in the last few |
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TENES

Oriel keep their heads in front

on February 6 round knockout

Oriel; stroked on bow side, kept off Keble's challenge for the second successive day to stay terday. On Wednesday, Keble closed to within balf a length before catching a crab; yesterday, Oriel appeared to have found something extra, with a length houses and just under that at the to spare approaching the boatfinish. In division three St Edmund Hall II collided with the There was no change at the top

There was no change at the top in the women's competition either, Jesus, Somerville and Lady Mergaret Hall rowing over for the second successive day

Reserves step into the spotlight The international B teams from the four home countries are playing one another on the Lancashire county cricker ground at Old Trafford. At 2.30 pm Scotland play England, followed by Wales v Ireland: at 3.00 pm. Tomorrow play state at 10 am. CRICKET

Today and tomorrow provide B, and Rosemary Sykes may show curtain raisers for the home why they should be recalled for constries women's international the full England team before the matches which start on March 6. end of the season. It is already end of the season. It is arready known that Janet Jurischka, of Kent, has withdrawn from the England squad, and her replace-ment must come from the squad playing this weekend.

Miss Jurischka's decision may be because of pressure of work—

play starts at 10 am.

The players have nothing to because time is too short just to sit on the sabs' beach. She will be a loss to the ream, as she gain. One or two, such as Mary scored the winning goal for Engeleckersall, who captains England at Wembley last March,

having been brought on as a sub-stitute for the last four minutes. England also need another goala space when the teams were announced. Two England goalkeepers, Julie Cook, of Suffolk and Rachel Holden, of Shropshire, are playing in the reserves at Old Trafford today. Sandra Lister, of Sussex, is ill.

But Robins restored Stone's adventage and took them into a 5—2 interval lead, having saved a certain goal on the line from a

corner. A superb goal by Brothers immediately after the interval raised Firebrands' hopes

rated by Figueredo, who made brilliant saves on the line from corners. Stone exined much relief when Greatholder scored his side's sixth goal.

Her place in the England B side is being taken by last year's inter-national player, Susan Slocombe, of Sowerset.

SQUASH

Rain hampers Test pitch preparation

The first Test of the three- to victory in the inter-provincial match series between Australia Shell Shield. Morrison also has said New Zealand begins here extensive knowledge of the tomorrow with the threat of an vagaries of the Basin Reserve

underprepared wicket hanging over the sides. There is also some doubt that play will start ou time, unless there is a drumon time, unless there is a dramatic change in the weather.

Persistent rain at the Basin Reserve ground in the past five days has given the groundstaff little chance of preparing a Testiclass wicket. Both sides are already sceptical of the wicket's qualities after last Saturday's one-day international here in which New Zealand were bowled out for 74 on a surface which had been affected by rain.

The Australiane' preparation that the match and he is expected play at the expense of a pace bowlet. Pascoe. With 38 wickets Yardley was Australia's series against Pakistan and West The Australian Cricket Board and the New Zealand Cricket Council have series in this series. For failing to achieve more than 14 overs an hour throughtout a match, a side

The Australians' preparation for the match has been hindered by the weather. The three-day game against North Islaud at half hours before rain set in and the match was abandoned. ne match was abandoned.

New Zealand have included five seam bowlers in their 12 and no spinner. Hadice, Cairns, and Troug are expected to play, with the fizal choice being between Suedden and Chatfield. Martin Crowe, aged 19, a right-hand batsman will be making his Test debut.

Crowe, an exciting striker of the

Crowe, an exciting striker of the Crowe, an exciting striker of the ball, played without success in the one-day series, which was won by Australia, but he was forced to bat at No 3. In this match, that position will be taken by the vereran, John Morrison, who has been recalled at the age of 34 for its first Test since New Zealand's tour of ludia in 1976. Morrison has had an outstanding domestic tour of Iudia in 1976. Morrison Goucestershire have signed has had an outstanding domestic Robert Russell, a 19-year-old season and captained Wellington wicket keeper bassman.

· From Peter McFarline, Wellington, Feb 25

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The Australians have included the off spinner, Yardley, in their 12 for the match and he is expec-

active more into 14 overs an hour throughout a match, a side will be fined \$N21,000 (about £430).

AUSTRALIA (from): G S Chappen (capitals). K J Haghes, B M Lard, G M Wood, J Dyson, A R Borier, R W Morth, B Yarday, O K Likee, J R Thomson, T M Akksman, L S Passes. NEW ZEALAND (front: G P Rowarth (captain), B M Edgar, J. G Wright, J F M Morrison, J V Concy, M Crowe, R J Haddae, J D S Smith, M C Snedden, G B Troop, E J Chal-field, B L Carne.

Sri Lanks arrived in Karachi yesterday for a five-week tour, including three Tests against a Pakistan side likely to be without in leading internationals, who have refused to play under the captaincy of Javed Miandad. Northamptonstilre made a profit of £26,967 in 1981, their best year financially.

Fitness of

After two days of competition the first round of the Lookers Masters tournament produced an extended match. The first eight matches went to the minimum of three games but last night in Bradford Dean Williams, of Australia, and Ross Norman, of New Zeuland, produced a cracking five-game match.

New Leaner, produced a crack-ing, five-game, match.

Norman is ranked eighth in the world and Williams is one below him. Both players know each other's game intimately and played as if their lives depended mean it.

burly Watson, ranked ten in the world; was in a stubborn mood and led Jahaneir 8-4 in the second

QUARTER-FINALS: Jahangir Khon Padishap boat R Watson (5A) - 9-2, 9-3, 9-0; D Williams (Australia) boat R Norman (NZ) 3-9, 9-0. 7-9, 9-2, 5-4.

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Williams is decisive

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In the other match Jahangir
Rhan, the 18-year-old world
champion, best the South African
number 1, Roland Watson. The

game.

However, Jahangh stepped up a gear and won the match in 33 minutes lashing the ball to all conners of the court with great

TODAY'S FIXTURES Kick-off 7,30 unions stated. FOURTH DIVISION: Colchoster v Rachdale: Stockport County v Wigan Athletic

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in the final on Wednesday with a 197-94 home triumph over Sinudyne Bologna of Italy, winning on aggregate 186-172. Marlow stricken Janet Marlow has 'flu and

withdrawn from the Great Britain team for Saturday's athletics international against East Germany in Senftenberg. Her place in the 800 metres goes to Julie Asgill, of Stretford. The men's team also shows one change, with Haringey's Mark Aldridge replacing Nick Tabor in the shop putt.

Family affair

A mother and son are likely to oppose each other in the Cheltenham Gold Cup next month, Arthur Moore runs Royal Bond, who will be ridden by Gerry Newman, and his mother Joan Moore saddles Tied Cottage. Tommy Carberry will ride Tied Cottage.

Northants profit

Northamptonshire County Cricket Club showed their best-ever profit of £26,967 in 1981, though that figure included the Test and County Cricket Club share-out of £142,836.

RESULTS

BASKETBALL

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RACING

The tiger who has lost his teeth from Lancia By Michael Seely

Misfortune struck two old

Last trophy

Deleon batters

Camel to defeat

Atlantic City, New Jersey, Feb 24. Carlos Deléon of Puerto Rico retained his world Boxing Council (WBC) cruiserweight title tonight when he battered the former Champion Marvin Camel into a seventh round defeat.

The ring physician stopped the contest because of a cut over

The ring physician stopped the contest because of a cut over Camel's right eyebrow.
It was Deleon's first defence of the title he took from Camel in November 1980.

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mittee. Garmisch-Partenkirchen

More medals

Holmenkolien, Feb. 24.—The world Nordic skiing champion-ships may be held every two years instead of every four years, Marc Hodier, president of the international Skiing Federation, and

said.

He denied such a move would interfere with the annual Nordic and Alpine skiing World Cap series and said it would give

series and said it would give competitors a greater chance to win medals.

No decision on the changes is likely to be made before a federation meeting in Australia next year. But the Alpine, Scandinavian and Eastern European countries are thought to support the idea, although the resulting increase in costs might lead American and Far Eastern countries to oppose it.

Zagreb, Yugoslavia, Feb 25.

Zagreb, Yugoslavia, Feb 25. — Cibona Zagreb, of Yugoslavia, and Real Madrid, of Spain, will meet in the final of the men's European Cup Winners' basketball cup in Brussels on March 16. Cibona eliminated Strottel Kiev of the Soviet Union by winning the second leg of their semi-final 22-66 here on Tuesday, to take the tie on aggregate 158-148. Real Madrid booked their place in the final on Wednesday with a

Final fixed

Garmisch-Partenkarchen and Berchtesgaden both want to stage the Games and the NOC will decide between them next year. Competition is expected from Italy with Cortina d'Ampezzo, and Sweden, with Falun. They lost out to Caigary, Canada, for the right to hold the 1988 Winter Olympics.—Reuter.

be hosts

Nick Skelton and Graham Fletcher, who have given up their chances of competing in the 1984 olympic games after relinquishing their amateur status, will be among the challengers for the top prize at the final Lancia Trophy meeting at Park Farm, Middlesex, tomorrow.

After ten years, the sponsors are retiring, so this will be the last chance for the favourite, David Broome, to add another of their vehicles to the six he has already won.

The car goes to the rider with the highest placings in two events, the Trophy and the Lancia Silver Lance. There is also 16,000 in prize money, including £1,460 to the trophy winner. Misfortune struck two old warriors at Wincanton yesterday. Bird's Nest blundered badly at an early stage in the Kingwell Pattern Hurdle and was pulled up before the field turned into the straight. A similar fate befell Border incident in the Jim Ford Challenge Cup, although on this occasion Richard Head's chaser showed none of his former brilliance.

Border Incident was like a tiger at his fences in his prime, but yesterday he jumped far too big and awkwardly. It was obvious on the far side of the course that he was not going to be involved in the finish. Head said afterwards: "This could be the end of the road for Border Incident. I've only got one trick left up my sleeve."

Bob Turnell, on the other hand, was not in the least bit despondent about Bird's Nest, who has won 20 races during his long and chequered career. The Mariborough trainer, who has no intention of retiring his favourite horse, said: "When he's had a bit of practice he'll be alright."

The Kingwell Hurdle was won by Walnut Wonder, who was strongly ridden by Colin Brown. David Elsworth's seven-year-old just got the better of a close finish with Migrator. "You could call this a brilliant bit of opportunist training." Elsworth said with his tongue in his cheek. Walnut Wonder fell on his first attempt over fences at Fontwell last Mondoy, but the trainer left.

The former WBA heavyweight champion Leon Spinks, boxing for the fist time as a cruiser-weight, outpointed Ivy Brown.—
Reuter.

Elsworth said that both Heigh-Elsworth said that both Heigh-lin and Lesley Ann were in good shape for their assaults on the Champion Hurdle and Chelten-ham Gold Cup. Another likely runner in the Gold Cup is Henry Bisbop, who beat Master Smudge Dortmund, Feb 24. — West Germany want to host the 1992 Winter Olympics. Willi Daume, president of the West German National Olympic Committee (NOC), said they came to the decision at today's executive session of the com-



Nearly there: Walnut Wonder (Colin Brown), winner of the 1.45 at Wincanton yesterday, goes clear of Migrator (Richard Dennis) at the last flight.

by four lengths in an incidentpacked Jim Ford Cup.

"I'm not saying he's good
enough to win," Josh Gifford
said "but he's certainly entitled
to run," The same goes for
Master Smudge, who was awarded the Gold Cup after the
disqualification of Tied Cottage
in 1980.
Only three runners completed

in 1980.
Only three runners completed the course. After the departure of My Always and Yule Star, Artifice fell at the second fence from home. Great Dean, who finished second to Venture to Cognac in that controversial forecast vaca at Kennicon pledforecast race at Kempton, plod-ded on to take third place a distance behind the principals.

Kempton Park

Tote: Double 2.30 and 3.30. Treble 2.0, 3.0 and 4.0.

2.30 OTARD COGNAC CHASE (novices: 2m) (7)

1.30 EMBLEM CHASE (Handicap: £2,313: 2m) (3 runners)

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2.0 LITTLETON HURDLE (4-y-o novice handicap: £867: 21/m) (9)

Winter's men: Oliver Sherwood (left) and John Francome

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both ride for Fred Winter at Kempton today.

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3,30 ASHFORD HURDLE (Div I: £1,053: 2m) (20)

3.0 GIBBS LAND-ROVER HUNTER CHASE (£1,615: 3m) (5)

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3.48 (3.48) MERE HURDLE (Div #: 4-y-maident: £600: 2m)

TOTE: Win, 56p; places, 25p, 14p, 61p. Dual F: 93p.f CSF: 21.54. M Pipe, at Wellington, 2'nl, 2r, Fire Chieftain (50-1) 4th.

4.15 (4.16) MERE HURDLE (DIV III: 4-y-

TOTE: Win, 79p; places, 37p, 11p, 87p.
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Wincanton results

4.0 ASHFORD HURDLE (Div il novices: £1,068: 2m) (22)

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The oldest horse to take part in the afternoon's proceedings was the 15 year old Casbah, who finished third to Beacon Time in the Fourthill Handicap Chase. As the Blackmore Vale Hunt streamed across the field opposite the stands, Casbah looked a threat jumping the third fence from home but then tired. Fulke Wawyn was not at Wincanton, but a stable spokesman said that Beacon Time would not go for the Dick McCreery Cup at the Grand Military meeting.

Fred Winter, the man in form, could land a treble by winning

the Emblem Handicap Chase with Prayukts, the Otard Cognac Novices Chase with Princeton, and the Gibbs Land Rover Hunters' Chase with Rolls Rambler.

Oliver Sherwood will ride Rolls Rambler, whose odds for the Grand National will be drastically reduced if the 11-year-old wins in good style. Rolls Rambler was a brilliant hunter chaser two seasons ago, when he was successful in all his five races. Training toubles have prevented him from running since then, but hopes are high that Rolls Rambler can beat Dancing Brig today.

Southwell

1.45 ELSTON CHAPEL CHASE (novice handicap: £640; 3m 110yd)

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(2231-22 GREY CORWEB (Ars E Trensure) J. Edwards 9-10-6

1p0-044 EPOMY SEL (M. Nayloy K. Balby 7-10-4

30004 BOUNT ALLEN (C. C. C. Racing) W. Whatton 7-10-3

4-p012 TAMBEAU (H. Jahnson) P. Pritchard 8-10-0

(0p000 CREGG (Mrs. J. Franch) Airs J. Franch 9-10-0

(p40-00) LOFD RIVERS (Idra A. Harrey) A. Pults 9-10-0

(00000 FANCY FELLOW (R. Burt) W. Clay 8-10-0

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2.15 NORMAN MOTTE HURDLE (selling handicap: £642: 2m) (12) 110000 FLORENCE (CD) (G Wingrove) W Charles 6-11-10 ...

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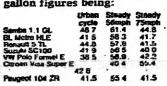
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A question of consumption

The arrival in Britain this week of Talbot's new small hatchback, the Samba, may start a fresh wave of argument about the validity of the independent fuel consumption figures that manufacturers are obliged to quote when referring to economy in handbooks and advertisements.

Those interested in this contentious subject remember that when remember that when the Samba was announced last autumn, the official test figures suggested that the 1.1 GL model was the most economical car in Europe. It clearly beat its rivals on all three counts, the miles per gallon figures being:



Last month, however, the Samba's claim to be top of the economy league was challenged by the latest version of the Renault 5, the version of the Kenault's, the GTL 5-speed, which bettered the Taibot on two of the three official figures, with 62.8mpg at 56mph and 46.3mpg at 75mph. Although it fell short on the urban cycle test, which yielded 44.8mpg, two out of three seemed a winning margin.

But Talbot was not prepared to concede. It pointed out that if the three figures were mixed together to were mixed together to produce an overall average fuel consumption, then the Samba could still come out top. The formula used was the one adopted by the British motor industry in 1979 when giving its pledge to the Government to improve consumption of future models: 40 per cent of urban cycle, 50 per cent of 56mph and 10 per cent of 75mph.

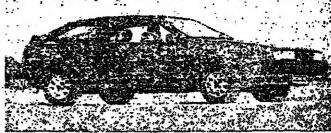
Talbot calculated that on this basis the Samba, over 10,000 miles, uses 4.6 gallons less petrol than the Renault 5 GTL. Since the total fuel consumed would be 185.89 gallons by the Samba and 190.502 gallons by the Renault, the difference is hardly significant; but it does give Talbot a useful marketing ploy.

The composite miles per gallon figures for these and the other models in my list, work out as follows. Five of the eight cars are French; indeed, three, the Samba, 104 and Visa, share basically the same 1.1 litre engine:

Samba
Persual 5 GTL
Remault 5 TL
Metro HLE
Polo Formel E
Suzuki SC100

The weighting is, of course arbitrary, though it roughly corresponds to the pattern of revealed in surveys by the Government's Transport and Road Research Laboratory. My main objection to the formula is that it places too much emphasis on the steady 56mph figure, which is arguably the least realistic of the three.

car in city traffic. The steady 75mph figure is strictly academic, since such a speed is illegal in Britain, though it does approximate to motor-way cruising. But surely no one drives at a steady 56mph for any length of time, unless they use very straight, empty country roads.



Power with economy - the revised Scirocco GTi

Part of the trouble is that speed tests derive from Continental measures, respectively 90 and 120 kilometres. To give a more appropriated cruising figure for Reitish roads, the chosen for British roads, the chosen steady speed should be some-where between.

On the Continent, car manufacturers, while using the same three test figures, employ a different method of arriving at the overall aver-age. They simply weight the figures, equally, which in a country like Germany will probably reflect the higher proportion of motorway driv-ing. Using this system, the results for my eight models



It will be seen that the figures are lower and, per-haps closer to what a motorist will actually get. The positions of the models are almost the same, except that the Visa moves above the Suzuki and Peugeot.

On both weightings the Samba's lead in the urban cycle gives it an overall advantage and since a small car is likely to spend a good proportion of its time making there in urneys in traffic short journeys in traffic. Talbot can reasonably claim to have Europe's economy champion. But for how long is another matter.

Volkswagen : Scirocco GTi

orts coupé is mainly about, But evidently, in these de-pressed times, that is the wrong image to project.

essence, the mid-term reskin; the bodyshell is entirely new, the mechanicals much as before. The car is 4in. longer, with a slightly higher In my experience the urban cycle figure is a reasonable guide to what I expect to obtain driving the in the passenger compartment is slightly better as well. As for the shape, it is well. As for the shape, it is said to be aerodynamically 10 per cent more efficient; it also looks good, turning many heads as it stood in my To cater for different tastes, Volkswagen has reor-ganized the Scirocco range

PUBLIC NOTICES.

so that the CL base model is cheaper than before and there is an economy version which has an overdrive gearbox and runs on two-star fuel. But my test is of the top model, the fuel injected GTi; with a top speed of 117mph, it can claim to be the fastest car yet to carry the Volks-wagen badge.

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The GTi is powered by the now familiar 1588cc overhead camshaft engine, mounted transversely and driving the front wheels through a close-ratio five-speed gearboy. It is ratio five-speed gearbox. It is fitted with electronic ignition and develops an impressive 110bhp. VW claims a 0 to 60mph acceleration time of 9.5 seconds, which is slower than before and suggests that

than before and suggests that
the aerodynamic gains may
be offset by the extra weight
of the new bodyshell.
Subjectively, the car did
not feel fast in the way that,
for example, the XR3 Ford
Escort does, and top gear
flexibility was a shade disappointing; but these things are
relative. Though hard acceleration produces some boom eration produces some boom, the engine is not unpleasantly noisy and despite low gearing it cruises smoothly. There is little wind or road noise.

The official fuel consumption figures present a confusing picture, suggesting that the revised car is more economical at steady speeds but thirstier in town. The urban cycle reading is a modest 24.4mpg but I managed up to 27mpg, while my touring figure was 40mpg, an excellent return for a sport-

ing car.
The handling of the Scirocco has not changed and had no need to. The car feels very It is a sign of the times that in launching its "Mk2" Scirocco, Volkswagen should place more emphasis on practical matters like space and fuel consumption than on its more sporting attributes. Scirocco sales in Britain have fallen by nearly two-thirds since 1979 and Volkswagen hopes that the revised model will have wider appeal and reverse the trend.

Not that there was very

The ride is very firm, in the German manner, but well

Not that there was very much wrong with the original. Even if a tall driver did find his head broshing the mo crashing or wallow. The roof, the car was quick and bandled like a dream and seats are also firm, not to say that, after all, is what a sports count is what a sport and support and sports count is what a sport and support and sports count is what a sport and support and sports count in the round are rest there is no crashing or wallow. The adjusted for height as well as rake and reach.

pleasure, and not at the expense of fuel consumption.

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Accommodation is strictly two-plus-two, which means that the rear seats are The new Scirocco is, best reserved for children. Access to the back of the car is awkward unless the front seats are pushed fully for-ward. The bigger boot is useful, though its width is restricted by the wheel arches and it has a high lip.

At £7,374 the GTi is At £7,374 the GTl is expensive when set against rivals like the Ford Capri or Renault Fuego and for that price it is surprising to discover that the radio is an extra. But the car gives an enormous amount of driving

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4.25 Jackanory: Colin Jeavons reads the final part of William Browning's Grimm Grange

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4.40 Finders Keepers: Quiz game, with electronic wizardry. Gower House School, London, varsus the 10,11,12 Club, Grove

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5.05 Grange Hill: Why the school revue item by Precious Matthew does not please the

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6.00 South East at Six.

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6.40 Open University. Today's subjects are insect Diversity; 7.05
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University programmes end at 7.55.
Interval until Play School at 11.00. It Heatures Martin Fisher's story All features Martin Fisher's story All Aboard the Plane. The presenters are Carol Chell and Stuart McGugan; 11.25 Closedown; 3.55 Around with Alliass: Another in this golfing series in which Peter Alliass takes a celebrity around the course and interviews him at the same time. around the course and unterviews him at the same time. Today, it's the Welst singer and comedian Max Boyce. They're at the Royal Porthcawl, in South Wales (r).

4.25 The World Land Speed

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7.15 Cartoon: The Aquarium.

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7,25 News.

Record: Campbell, Cobb, Segrave and Co. 5.10 Pligrimage: From Manchester

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6.50 Dear Heart: New comedy series

7.30 Heroes: Dorothy Heacoate's idols include Golda Meir, 8.00 Gardener's World: Advice on

8.25 Newsweek: Slow progress over nuclear disarmament. A report by Margaret Jay.

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9.35 For Schools: The subjects are: Reading with Lenny; the Health Service; 1. . 2. . . 3. . . Go; Physics: Geography; Homos and tamilles; Oil and petrol; Everything in the Garden's Loveller (documentary); 11.55 Comic Stories. 12.00 Song Book. 12.10 Once Upon a Time: with Peter Davison. 12.30 Wild, Wild World of Anismals: the speedy ostrich (f). 1.00 News from ITN. 1.20 Thames area news. 1.30 Take the High Road: Scottish estate serial. 2.00 After Noon Plus: Interviews with Michael Frayn and Paul Eddington, writer and star of the new comedy Noises Off. 2.45 Film: Gasbags* (1940) Vonerable British comedy starring the Crazy Gang, with Moore Marriott (the old man in the Will Hay films). The gang, captured by the Nazis, see some plans for a secret weapon on a fellow prisoner's back.

12.00 News. 12.02 You and Yours. 12.27 My Word: Panel Game.† 1.00 The World at One: News. 1.40 The Archers. on a lellow prisoner's back.

4.15 Dr Sauggles: the story of an inventor. With Peter Ustinov's voice (r), 4.20 Rezzmetaza: Pop music show. Groups include The 4.45 The Haunting of Cassle Palmer: Episode one of a drama serial about a girl who doesn't want to be a medium like her mother. Co-starring Elizabeth Spriggs as the mother and Helen Probyn as her University trailer.
Film: Sheriock Holmes and the Secret Weapon* (1942). The supersleuth versus the Nazis again. With Rathbone and Bruce and (as Morlarty) Lionel Abuil

daughter. 5.15 Square One:Board game, with Joe Brown as MC. The guests are Duggle Brown and Sandra Dickinson.

5.45 News from FTN; 6.00 The 6 O'Clock Show: Light-hearted news programme, hosted by Michael Aspel, With Janet Street-Porter. 7.00 Family Fortunes: Families compete for prizes. The Birmingham Tubbs versus the Rotherfield Bornvicks.

7.30 Hawaii Five-O: A journalist is murdered and a former astronaut is the suspect. 8.30 The Gaffer. New series begins, Bill Maynard returns as the boss of a small-scale engineering firm. Chris Langham plays his son. Tonight, he pesters his father for a job.

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6.50 International Superstars: Britain is represented by Andy Ripley (last year's international champion) and Brian Hooper (reigning UK champion). For the Townsend

8.00 Fame is the Spur: Final episode. Hamer is

re-elected and Arnold leads the jobless

9.00 News: with John Simpson. And weather prospects for the weekend. 9.25 McClain's Law: Crime thviller starring James Amess. Tonight, he and his partner Harry Gales (Marshall Colt) administer their own brand of justice when a bunch of hoodiums threatens a family.

10.15 Face the Music: Quiz which illistrates the point that musical experts don't have to be stuffy when revealing the extent of their knowledge. With David Attenborough, Arianna Stassinopoulos and Richard Baker. The guest is the conductor James Loughran, and the MC is Joseph Cooper (r)

10.50 Ballroom Champions: The UK championships. Couples compete for the Amateur modern and professional Latin American titles. From the Hammersmith 11.35 Film: The Devil's 8 (1969). American-made crime thriller (reminiscent of the Dirty

Dozen) with Christopher George as the Federal agent who, with the help of a gang of convicts, wages war on some whisky racketeers led by Ralph Meeker. Also starring Fabian. Directed by Burt Topper. Ends at 1.15am.

9.00 Playhouse: How Many Miles to Babylon? (See Choice.) 10.50 Newsnight, Bulletins and 11.35 Friday Night ... Saturday Morning: Actor/playwright

Morning: Actor/playwright Brian Glover is the MC. With Molly Parkin, advertising Elaine Loudon. 12.25 Open University: Copper as a



Sian Phillips: Playhouse: BBC 2,

9.00 We'll Meet Again: Episode two of this drama serial about American airmen stationed in Sutfolk during the last war. Tonight: the community in an uproar after the local grocer (Ray Smith), who is doggedly anti-American, stirs up trouble after his daughter (Natalie Ogle) gets a goodnight kiss from a lieutenant (Jeff larding). Starring Susannah York the doctor who saves a sergeant's life. 10.00 News from ITN. 10.30 Bizarre: American-

11.00 The London Programme: Seating the Muggers. A report on muggings in two areas of south London — Lewisham and Brixton — which shows that they're often the work of organized gangs who aren't averse to using weapons such as firearms. Two of theses gangs were recently broken up by the police — the Wolves and the Jackals. Muggers and their victims are interviewed.

11.35 Thriller: Only a Scream Away. Hayley Mills stars in this drama about a former immate of a mental hospital who finds that his former girl friend is going to marry somebody else. Co-starring Gary Collins and Joyce Carey. 12.55 Close. With Robert Kilroy-Silk, MP.



· HOW MANY MILES TO BABYLON? (BBC 2, 9.00) has Prestige Production written all over it. Famed director (Moira Armstrong of Testament of Youth). Famed producer (Innes Lloyd of Fothergill

and Speed King). Famed designer (David Myerscough Jones, of Therese Raquin). Famed compose (Geoffrey Burgon, of Brideshead and Tinker, Tailor). Famed actors (Sian Philitips, Barry Foster, Alan MacNaughton). Famed book (Jennifer Johnston, adapted by (Jenuiter Johnston, adapted by Classes, and the sub-ache of Derek Mahon). Whether it was worth national differences (the two chums while bringing all these big guns to are irish, their commanding officer decide for yourself. Certainly the David and Jonathan theme (rich andowner's son and poor peasant lad, inseparable in boyhood, still indivisible on Flanders Fields in the leien Probyn in The Haunting of Indivisible on Flanders Fields in Cassie Palmer (ITV, 4.45) Great War) was ripe for another

CHOICE

eiring, and Daniel Day-Lewis (rich boy) and Christopher Fairbank (poor boy) manage to keep sentimentality out of their relationship yet still make it affecting, never more so than in the story's shattering closing moments. But the ache that keeps nagging away at the heart of the plot — the division between the become dulled through familiarity. And was it absolutely necessary for the first half to move so painfully slowly in its apparent determination to mirror practically every line of the

 LIFE TRAP (Radio 4, 3.02), Betty Paul's play for Afternoon Theatre, must be the first play ever broadcast in which the central character is a foetus. Not just any old foetus, mind you, but one with very decided views about whose womb it should be in which he/she will rest. The play is, in a word, the complete answer to those who keep saying that there is nothing new under the sun. Remove the device of the foetus, however, and there is not all that much that is original in this tale of a married man who Impregnates his girl triend. But remove Hamlet and you've got just another ghost story. Susan Sheridan plays the foetus, or life force or gene — the three are interchangeable — with irritating

As London except: 12.30-1.00 Vet. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.45-4.15 Film: Appointment in Honduras (Glann Ford, Ann Steridah). Melodrama about nturer who risks itie and limb to adventurer who risks life and limb to deliver cash to the country's president \$.15 Watch This Space, 5.30-5.45 Coast To Coast, 6.0 Coast to Coast, 6.30-7.00 Friday Sportshow, 7.30-6.30 Fall Gay, 11.00 Film: Devils of Darkness (William Sylvester, Tracy Reed). Vampire and gypsy girl horror tale, 12.40 Company followed by Coast/own

BORDER

As London except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Yet 1.20-1.30 News, 2.45-4.15 Film: John 1.201.30 News, 2.45-4.15 Pitt: John and Julie (Colin Gibson, Lesiey) Dudiey). Comedy foliowing the exploits of two children who run away from home to see the Coronation in 1953. 6.00 Locksround, 6.30-7.00 That's Hollywood. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy. 10.30 Wintersport. 11.00 Bizarre, 11.30 Maws. 11.33 Closedown, 11.00 A Book at Bedtime: 'A Confederacy of Dunces' by John Kesnedy Toole (5).

11.15 The Financial World Tonight.

11.30 Today in Parliament.

11.45 John Ebdon delves into the BBC Sound Archives.

12.00 News: Weather Report and Forecast.

a.15 Yesterday in Parliament.
9.0 News.
9.5 Desert Island Discs. Casteway:
Peuta Ciert.
9.45 Feedback. Your views on BBC racio and v.
10.00 News.
10.02 International Assignment.
10.30 Delty Service.
10.45 Morning Story: The Two Tawarts by Abbinous Device VHF: 9.05sm For Schools: 10.30 Listen With Mother: 11.00 For Schools; 2.00 For Schools; 11.00 Study on 4. Wogweiser and, at 11.30 Por Acqui. Ends at 12.00. 10.30 Delty Service.
10.45 Morning Story: 'The Two
Taverns' by Alphonae Deudet.
11.00 Rewn.
11.06 Great Families of Britain. Lest
in series of radio portraits. The
Mosyta of Mostyn.
11.50 Bird of the Week: The tawny

Radio 3

2.00 News. 2.02 Woman's Hour. 9.05 This Week's Composer. Bernstein; records.†
9.55 Plano Duets. Recital: Beethoven, Busoni, Hans Gal, Caselfa.†
10.40 Modern and Baroqua Music. Recital: Handel, Telemann, atrib. Handel, Rubbra, Antony Hopkans, art. David Overton.†
11.30 Music at Casile Howard, Chamber music recital: Haydn, Mozart, Schumann.†
1.00 News. 2.02 Woman's Hour.
3.00 News.
3.02 Atternoon Theatre "Life-Tramp"
by Belty Paul.†
4.05 Poetry Piesse††
4.15 Victims. After the Crime.†
4.45 Story Time: "Welch Fargo" by
Heary Secombe (5).
5.00 Pik: News Magazine.
6.00 The Six O'clock News,
including Financial Report.
6.30 Going Pieces. The travel and
transport acene.
7.00 News.

7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Pick of the Week.†
8.10 Profile. A personal portrait.
8.30 Any Questions?
9.15 Letter from America by Alistair

6.0 News Briefing. 6.10 Familing Today, 6.30 Today. 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert. Handel, Mozart, Bach; records.† Mozart, Betri, rocatean;
8.05 News.
8.05 Morning Concert (continued)
Honegger, Copland, Poulenc;
records.†
9.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composer, Bern-

Cooke. 9.30 Kaleidoscope. 10.00 The World Tonight: News. 10.35 Week Ending.†

BBC CYMRU/WALES 12.57-1.0pm News. 1.45-2.2 Y Cowboi Bach. 2.35-3.0 I Ysgolion. 3.20-3.55 Snooker

7.30 Heddiw. 7.30-8.0 Pobol Y Cwm. 10.15-11.5 Week in Week Out, 11.5-11.5 News, 11.6-11.35 Snooker

11.5 News. 11.5-11.35 Shocker (Welsh professional championships). 11.35-12.57am You Only Live Once (Henry Fonda). Scottand 11.0-11.22am For Schools, 12.55-1.0pm News. 3.20-3.55 Closedown, 6.0-6.22 Reporting Scotland, 10.15-10.45 Goodbye Mr Kert. 10.45-10.50 News.

Goodbye Mr Kent. 10.45-10.50 News. Northern Ireland 11.0-11.22am Closedown. 12.57-1.0pm News. 3.20-3.53 Closedown. 3.53-3.55 News. 6.0-6.22 Scene Around Siz. 10.15-10.45 Spoilight. 10.45-10.50 News. 1.5am News. England 6.0-6.22pm Regional magazines. 10.15-10.45 East — Weekend. Midlands — Midlands Torlight. North — Backstage. North East — Crast to Coast. North West — Saveet and Sour. South — Isles Apart. South West — The Attic.

es. West -- Public Lite. 1,5am

2.55 Choral Music By Brahms. Recital by the BBC Singers, †
3.15 The Busch Quartet Plays
Besthoven. Record.
4.00 Choral Evensong in the Abbey
Church of St Mary the Virgin,
Tewkesbury.

4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.† 6.55 Play it Again: Preview.† 7.00 Smoke after our Words. Keith 7,00 Smoke after our words, Neural Bosley looks at the tradition of Finnish Folk Poetry and the background to the Kalevalia.
8,00 London Philharmonic Orchestra: Concert direct from the Royal Festival Hall, London, Part 1. Walton, Mozzart.;
8,50 Lost and Found. Poetry readross.

9.10 Concert: Part 2. Tchaikovsky,†
10.15 Book, Music and Lyrics: A personal view of musicals by Robert Cushman. "The Changing Face of the Lyric".†

WHF: 5.55am Open University. Includes Bon Accord, Navigating the Earth, Great Britain (1750-1950) and Decora-tive Art in the 1890s. Open University programmes and at 1.00.

Radio 2 5.0 Ray Moore.† 7.30 Terry Wogan.†
10.0 Jimmy Young.† 12.0 Gloria
Hunstierd including 1.45 Sports
Deak.† 2.0 Ed Stewart including 2.45,
3.45 Sports Deak.† 4.0 David Hamilton
including 4.45m Sport Deak.† 5.45
News: Sports Deak.† 8.0 Barn Dence at
the Radio 2 Baltroom.† 8.45* Friday
Night is Misic Night with Sally
Burgess, Pat Whitmore, Geoffrey
Chard.† 9.55 Sports Deak. 10.0 Listen
to Les says Let Dawson. 10.30
Anything For a Laugh. The world of w Les says Les Lawson. T0.30
Anything For a Laugh. The world of
comic songs. 11.0 Brian Matthew with
Round Midnight. 1.0 Truckers' Hour
with Sheita Tracy.† 2.0-5.0 You and
the Night and the Music with Tim
Gudgin.†

Radio 1 5.0 As Radio 2.17.0 Miles Read. 2.0 Simon Bates. 11.30 Dave Lee Travis, including 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.0 Paul Burnett. 3.30 Save Wright. 5.30 Newsbeat. 5.45, Roundtable. 7.0 Andy Peebles. 10.0 The Friday Rock Show with Tommy Vance.† 12.0 Close.

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

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As London except: 11,34 am-12.00 As London except: 11.34 am-12.00 Pace your Future. 12.30 pm-1.00 Vet. 1.20-1.30 Lunchtime. 2.45-4.15 Film: Black Swan (Tyrone Power, Maureen O'Hara). Swashbuckling movie of how an island governor drove pirates out of the Cartibean. 5.15 Hear Here. 5.30-5.45 Good Evening Ulster. 6.00 Good Evening Ulster. 6.00 Good Evening Ulster. 6.30-7.00 Different Strokes. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy. 70.30 Witness. 10.35 Counterpoint Special: Political Forum. 11.35 News at Bedlime, Closedown.

CENTRAL

As London except: 11.35-12.00
Something different. 12.30 pm-1.00
Vet. 1.20 News. 2.45-4.15 Film: House of Seven Gables* (George Sanders, Margaret Lindssy). In seventh-century New England, a lealous brother sends his sister's france to prison. 6.00-7.00
News. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy. 11.00
News. 11.05 Professional Backetball.
11.35 Film: Die Screeming Marianne (Susan George, Barry Evane).
Ruthless judge pursues the fast witness to his blackmailing. 1.30 am Closedown.

ANGLIA

As London except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Vet. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.45-4.15 Film: Time Gentlemen Please* (Eddie Byrne). reputation for hard work. 6.00-7.00
About Anglia. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy.
11.00 Members Only. 11.30 Film:
Mind of Mr Soemes (Terence Stamp.,
RobertVasgim), his come sincebirth,
John Soemes its Sowhen he taces the world with the brain of a baby, and the body of a man. 1.15 am Lentwith Luke.

As London except: 11.50am-12.00 Carloon, 12.30-1.00 Vet. 1.20-1.30 Nova. 2.45-4.15 Film: Judgment Deterred (Hugh Sinciair, Helen Shingler), Reporter tries to discover the guilt or innocence of an escaped convict. 5.15-5.45 Benson, 6.00 News, 6.30-7.00 Mr and Mrs. 7.30-8.30 Fall Gru. 10.28 News, 10.30 8.30 Fali Guy, 10.28 News. 10.30 Good Neighbour Show, 11.00 Film; Order to Kili (Helmut Berger). Army deserter lands his file threatened.

HTV CYMRU/WALES As HTV West except: 11.34am-11.49 About Wales. 12.00-12.10 Ffalabalam 4,15-4.45 Yr Ynys A'r Ffin, 6.00 Y Dydd, 6.15-6.30 Report Wales, 10,30-11,00 Outlook.

As London except: 11.55am-12.00

AS London except: 11.55am-12.00 Look and See. 12.30pm-1.00 Vet. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.45-4.15 Film: Cheaper by the Dozen (Clifton Webb) Comedy, drama and nostalgia in this story of a large family dominated by father, 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30-7.0 What's Ahead. 7.30-6.30 Hart to Hert. 10.32 News. 10.35 Postscript. 10.40 Mysterious' 19les. 10.50 Film: Priesi's-Wife (Soohia Loren. Marcello Wylfe (Sophia Loren, Marcello Mastroianni). Siapstick and drama as suicidal girl fails in love with a priest. 12.36am Closedown.

GRANADA

As London except: 11.54 am-12.00 Wattoo, Wattoo, 12.30 pm-1.00 Vet. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30-2.00 Exchange Flags. 2.30-4.19 Flim: Sands of the Desert (Charile Drake). Meek travel agent, sent to open a new holiday camp, saves a glamorous girlfrom a ruthless shelk. 6.00 Kick Off, 6.30-7.00 Gransdt Reports. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy, 11.00 Week on Friday, 11.30 Film: Revenge (Joan Collins, James Booth). Publican whose daughter is murdered, kitnaps the suspect. 1.10 am Closedown. As London except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Vet. 1.20 News. 1.30-2.00 Square One. 2.45-4.15 Film: Green Grow the Rushes' (Richard Burlon, Honor Blackman), Civil servants by to

SCOTTISH

Backman, Chri servants by to prevent the marshumen of Kent from smuggling, 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm, 6.00 Scotland Today, 6.25 Sports Extra, 6.45-7.00 Hear Here, 7.30-8.30 Charile's Angels, 10.30 Ways and Means, 11.00 Bizarre, 11.30 Late Call, 11.35 Streets of San Francisco, 12.30 am Closedown.

As London except: Starts 9.25am Good Word, 9.20-9.35 News.

TYNE TEES

Good Word. 9.30-9.35 News. 12.30pm-1.00 Vet. 1.20-1.30 News. 12.30pm-1.00 Vet. 1.20-1.30 News. 10.0kg/nund. 2.46-4.15 Film: Odd Job (David Jason, Graham Chepman). Comedy about distraught husband who fries to arrange his own killing. 6.00 News. 6.02 Sportstime. 6.30-7.30 Northern Life. 7:30-8.30 Fall Guy. 10.30 News. 10.32 Friday Live. 12.00 Superstar Profile: Dudley Moore. 12.30am Poet's Corner. 12.40 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

As London except: 12.30 pm-1,00 Vet. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.45 Film: Prelude to Fame* Glerenny Spenser). Drama* 1.20-1.30 Naws. 2.45 Film: Prelude to Fame" (Jeremy Spenser). Drama about a talented tadian peasant boy who achieves home as a musical predigy. 6.00 Calendar. 6.30-7.00 Sport. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy. 11.00 Film: Mirror of Deception (Kim Darby, James Maxwett). Two girts go missing after applying for the same job. 12.25 am Closedown.

CHANNEL

As London except: 11,55sm-12,00 Look and See. 12,30pm-1,00 Vet. 1,20-1,30 News. 2.45-4.15 Film: Cheaper by the Jozen (Ciffon Webb) Comedy, drama and nostalgs in this text of a lease family dominated by tether. 5.18-5.46 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Channel Report. 6.35-7.00 Brown Study. 7.30-8.30 Hart to Hart. 10.28 News. 10.35 Aujourd'hull en France. 10.40 Mysterious Teles. 10.50 Film: Priest's Wife (Sophia Loren, Marcelle Mastroianni) Suicidal girl falls in love with a priest. 12,35am Closedown.

European Law Report

Court of Justice of the **European Communities**

Chancery Division

Law Report February 26 1982

Court of Appeal

Discrimination on retiring ages is not unlawful

Case 19/81: Preliminary ruling under Article 177 of the EEC Treaty on a reference by the Employment Appeal Tribunal.

Before the President of the First Chamber, Judge G. Bosco, acting as president and Judges A. Touffait, O. Due, P. Pescatore, Lord Mechanic Street Lord Mackenzie Stuart, A. O'Keeffe, T. Koopmans, A. Chloros and F. Grevisse. Advocate General: Mr Verloren van

[Judgment: February 16, 1982]

Mr Arthur Burton, the appellant, was employed by the British Railways Board, the respondent, who offered voluntary redundancy to some of its employees and a memorandum was drawn up emboriying the terms of a collective agreement between management and trade unions on reorganization which included the following paragraph:

"Staff aged 60/65 (male/female) may leave the service under the

industrial tribunal under the discrimination of the Equal Pay Act 1970, as last amended by the Sex Discrimination Act 1975. He appealed to the Employment Appeal Tribunal where it was conceded on his behalf that by virtue of section 6(4) of the 1975 Act it was not contrary to the Act February 9, 1976 of the application of appeal of the applications of actions actio

Burton v British Railways

Board

Case 19/81: Preliminary ruling whether the relevant provision of under Article 177 of the EEC Treaty on a reference by the

In its judgment the Court of Justice of the European Communities said that in deciding whether the difference in treatment of which the appellant complained was discriminatory within the meaning of the directive, account had to be taken of the relationship between measures such as that at issue and national provisions on normal retirement age.

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Under United Kingdom legislation the minimum qualifying age for a state retirement pension was 60 for women and 65 for men.

Council Directive No 797/EEC of December 19, 1978 on the

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"Staff aged 60/65 (male/female) may leave the service under the redundancy and resettlement arrangements when the function in which (they are) employed has been dealt with under organization planning."

Mr Burton applied for voluntary redundancy but was refused because he was under 60 and he complained unsuccessfully to an industrial tribunal under the provisions of the Equal Pay Act 1970 and the possible consequences which was not the same for men as for women did not amount to discrimination prohibited under Community law.

The Court of Justice gave the following answers to the ques-

Discrimination Act 1975. He appealed to the Employment Appeal Tribunal where it was conceded on his behalf that by virtue of section 6(4) of the 1975 Act it was not contrary to the Act for an employer to treat a male employee less favourably than he treated a female employee as regards access to voluntary redundancy benefit.

Mr Burton contended however that section 6(4) had to be construed in the light of European Community law and the Employment Appeal Tribunal requested a preliminary ruling concerning inter alia Directive No 76/207/EEC of February 9, 1976 applies to the conditions of access to voluntary redundancy benefit paid by an employer to a worker wishing to leave his employment access to voluntary redundancy is available only during the five years preceding the minimum pensionable age fixed by national social security legislation and that that age is not the same for men as for women cannot in itself be regarded as discrimination on grounds of sex within the meaning of Article 5 of Directive No 76/207."

In Polydor Ltd and Another v Harlequin Record Shops Ltd (The Times February 18) counsel for the defendants was instructed by Sylvester Amiel & Co.

Inland freight depot not eligible for allowance

[Judgment delivered February 19]
An inland freight depot in Manchester used for the storage of clothing imported into the United Kingdom by sea and air, did not constitute an industrial building in which goods were stored "on their arrival" into the United Kingdom and expenditure on it did not qualify for an allowance under the provisions in section 7(1) (f) (iv) of the Capital Allowances Act 1968.

Mr Justice Nourse so held in the Chancery Division in the Chancery Division in the Chancery Division in dismissing an appeal by the importer, Copol Clothing Ltd, from a decision of the General Commissioners for Central Manchester refusing its claim for the allowance in respect of warehouse premises at Sagar Street, Manchester.

The importer claimed entitlement to an industrial building allowance in respect of the warehouse state of the Capital Allowance Act 1968 by visue of section 7(1) which provided: "Subject to the provisions of this section, in this consists in the storage... (if) for the purposes of a trade which consists in the storage... (if) for the importer, Copol Clothing Ltd. from a decision of the General Commissioners for Central Manchester refusing its claim for the allowance in respect of warehouse premises at Sagar Street, Manchester.

The importer claimed entitlement to an industrial building allowance in respect of expenditure on the warehouse act 1968 by visue of section 7(1) which provided: "Subject to the provisions of this section, in this cations."

Mr justice Nourse of a trade with the provision of the industrial building or structure in use... (if) for the provision of the united Kingdom."

Miss Fay Stockton for the importers; Mr Robert Carnwath for the Crown.

MR justice Nourse of a trade which consists in the storage... (if) of the importers, Mr Robert Carnwath for the Crown. [Judgment delivered February 19]
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warehouse premises at Sagar Street, Manchester.

The importer, a clothing wholesaler and distributor, used the first floor of a building in Manchester for the warehousing and storage of goods. It imported by per cent of its stock, mainly by sea via Southampton, in containers which were transported to the warehouse by rail

Copol Clothing Ltd v Hindmarch (Inspector of Taxes)

Before Mr Justice Nourse
[JudgmentdeliveredFebruary19]

Ltd v Hindcame by sea to other ports and went directly by road to the warehouse, it would be an unnatural reading of the prowarehouse or arrived by air in being stored in the warehouse cartons.

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"on their arrival by sea".

The Crown's case was that the material provision supported the practice that the Inland Revenue had adopted of allowing claims only in respect of buildings of the requisite character standing in the vicinity of seaports or airports and not in respect of inland freight depots.

The court's task was to

inland freight depots.

The court's task was to construe that provision in accordance with accepted principles of statutory interpretation. While there was force in the arguments made on the importer's behalf, they could not be accepted. It was more natural to talk about arrival by sea or air into any part of the United Kingdom, if you were intending to refer to arrival at a seaport or an airport rather than an arrival at some inland location.

The commissioners had con-

Capital payment to stop rival

Walker (Inspector of Taxes) v
The Joint Credit Card Co Ltd
Before Mr Justice Walton

[Judgment delivered February 22]
A payment of £75,000 made by
Access (The Joint Credit Card Co
Ltd) to eradicate competition
from an "aggressive and possibly
unscrupulous rival", was a
payment of a capital nature and
not deductible in the computation
of Access's profits for corporation tax purposes.

Mr Justice Walton so stated in
allowing an appeal by the Crown
from a determination of the
special commissioners that had
upheld an appeal by Access
against an assessment to the tax
of 1600,000 for its 1975 accounting period.

Mr Robert Carnwath for the
Crown; Mr Andrew Thornhill for
Access.

MR JUSTICE WALTON said that Access was set up in 1972 by a consortium of four banks to

licensee. But that understated considerably just what Access did obtain. It obtained the total closure of a rival business. It did not consider the payment to be for purely temporary purposes: it considered that Eurocard's erosion of its goodwill and business was for more than a temporary. was far more than a temporary phenomenon.

was far more than a temporary phenomenon.

The payment obtained a particular, permanent result and it was irrelevant that Eurocard might, as the commissioners found, have cessed to trade within a short time without having received anything from Access. Accordingly the payment was a capital payment and not deductible in computing assessable profits.

Parental abuse of process

a consortium of four banks to provide a credit card service to compete with Barclaycard. It was intended to operate principally in the United Kingdom but also set sights on becoming part of an international network.

In 1974 it was accepted as a licensee for Interbank, an international association formed to extend credit card services as widely as possible throughout the

Bankrupt's discharge plea to go before Chancery judge

Before Lord Justice Lawton, Lord Justice Templeman and Lord Justice Brightman.

[Judgment delivered February 18]

bankruptcy by rash and hazardous speculations" (Bankruptcy
Act, 1914, section 26 (3) (f)).

They had read three affidavits
in support of that ground. Mr
Stern had put in three affidavits
to support his application for
discharge.

A creditor had no right to

The bankruptcy registrar was wrong not to alkow creditors of Mr William George Stern to cross-examine him and two deponents of affidavits on his behalf on his application for discharge from bankruptcy.

The Court of Appeal allowing an appeal by Keyser Ullman Ltd. Four Millbank Nominees Ltd and First National Bank of Chicago from the order of Mr Registrar Dewinurst last Angust directed that the application be heard by a Chancery judge.

Mr Stanley Brodie, QC and Mr John Vallar for Mr Stern; Mr Alan Steinfeld for Mr Stern's trustee in bankruptcy; Mr Mr Stern bank assets that Mr Stern's rustee had received claims amounting to to fills,690,524. Against those debts Mr Stern had assets that produced no more than £20,252.

On March 26, 1981 Mr Stern bad applied for his discharge and policidor to the court to lord lustice Receiver.

Creditors were entitled to make Four Millbank Nominees and submissions to the court to lord lustice Registrar in the exercise of the grant of discharge would not be failowed to cross-examine Mr Brodie bad contended, but a registrar had adjudged that the creditors would not be find a find and policidor of the court had to conduct. The creditor scanning the the grant of discharge would not be failowed to cross-examine Mr Brodie bad contended, but a registrar had adjudged that the creditors would not be diat the creditors would not be find and adjudged that the creditors would not be diat the creditors to conservation of the same projection for discharge would not be find and diateded that the submission of the public gene

On March 25, 1981 Mr Stern had applied for his discharge. Four Milibank Nominees and Keyser Ullmann had given written notice of opposition on the ground, inter alia, that he had "brought on or contributed to his "brought on or contributed to hi

'Public good' power to deport

The conduct of a non-partial of who matried a partial to obtain settlement, and had no intention T to live permanently with his spouse, was not conductive to the public good, and the Secretary of and State had power under section 3(5)(b) of the Immigration Act 1971 to order his deportation.

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the Queen's Bench Division that were heard together for indicial review of three decisions of the Immigration Appeal Tribunal confirming deportation orders.

Sir Charles Fletcher-Cooke, QC, and Mr George Warr for the first and third applicants; Mr K. S. Nathan for the second applicant; Mr Jeremy Sullivan for the Crown.

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Regina v Immigration Appeal
Trubunal, Ex parte Ullah
Regina v Immigration Appeal
Tribunal, Ex parte Cheema
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Regina v Immigration Appeal
Tribunal, Ex parte Kawol

Before Mr Justice Woolf

[Judgment delivered February 19]

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The power given to the secretary of state under section 3(5)(b) was of a special nature, and could not be relied upon for conduct that had no effect on the public domain.

A marriage of convenience by itself did not affect the social order.

they could be considered as only persuasive, as probably the same arguments were not adduced there: see R v Immigration.

Appeal Tribunal, Ex parte M. Singh (November 2, 1577); In Re M. Gomaa (November 1, 1977).

It was the nature and purpose

MPs protest at 'knockdown' sale of Invincible

The Government's decision to sell HMS Invincible to the Australians for £175m brought protests from Conservative MPs yesterday and a denial from a manister that the 19,500 tonne carrier was being disposed of at a knock-down

Margaret Thatcher, questioned in the (Commons by Mr Anthony Buck, chairman of the back bench defence committee and former Con. servative navy minister, said the sale had enabled the Government to place far more warship orders, this year worth £410m, than would worth £410m, than would otherwise have been possible.
Mr Buck had asked the Prime Minister to express the concern "we all feel she must that the Government had found it necessary to sell off one of the most powerful ships in the Royal Navy.

Mrs Thatcher's reply did little to soothe Conservative defence experts who have been valuely extempting in private meetings with Mr John Nott,

Secretary of States for Defence, to dissuade him from going through with the sale.

Mr Nott is being criticized by Conservative MPs who feel that they should have put up a sturdier fight with the Treasury to retain the ship, which is due to be delivered to the Australians late next year the Australians late next year wise, one of her sister ships, Illustrious, will be operational. The other, Ark Royal, joins the fleet in 1985.

felt was a "keen price of given that the Australian ernment was considering tenders for a ne carrier. Sea change, p

Thirty-six Tory MPs had yesterday signed a Commons motion, tabled last week, urging the Government to in-crease defence spending to make the sale unnecessary.

The defence White Paper published last June envisaged only two of the carriers being in service and the third, if retained, would have been mothballed. The Government's argument is that it is to better spend the £175m, which was also the cost of construction, within the naval programme than have a carrier in reserve.

been conceived not through consideration of the threat budgetary niceties of cash He said the Government would be getting £90m this year

and £85m next year, half the cost of building a replacement

destruction of historic embassy

Only the facade of the few w listed Grade II stuccoed have en building part of the palatial demoli-1825 design by George Basavi the bi-for the London square, shell ".

Mr Norman Howard, chair-man of the GLC's historic buildings panel, said last night that destruction of the building was a tragedy. "We are absolutely appalled. It was a beautiful building but it appears there is nothing we can do."

But Mr Winson Churchill Conservative MP for Stretford and vice-chairman of the defence committee, said last night that it was a sad and regrettable decision which had limits with the idea of getting

Mr Geoffrey Pattie, Under Secretary of State for Defence Procurement, said the Government was not selling the ship at a knock-down price. It had made the Australians what it felt was a "keen price offer", given that the Australian Government was considering other Sea change, page 4

'Halt Embassy demolition'

The Greater London Council The destruction of the is calling on the Foreign building follows similar demo-office and the Department of lition at the Chinese Embassy the Environment to halt the in Portland Place in 1980. The GDR had applied in 1979 to make radical changes buildings after the unauthorized demostrion of the
embassy of the German Democratic Republic in Belgrave scheme was agreed, but Mr Howard said that in the past few weeks "they appear to have entirely ignored that and demolished everything inside the building. It is just a

> Normally the GLC would be able to prosecute; but it appeared likely that the building would be considered as foreign territory and no We are action could be taken.
>
> It was a The GLC will ask

Government to site embassies in modern office blocks rather than historic buildings.



CBI keeps up pressure for business Budget

By Peter Hill, Industrial Editor

surely only a temporary prob-lem. We didn't get much help when the price of oil was high.

The Government can't have it both ways."

trimmed to the bone and com-petitiveness of British industry

remained below major foreign

ance Surcharge. "It is just hogwash to say that cutting NIS is too indiscriminate an

assistance. It was a burden to the whole of enterprise when

it was imposed", Sir Terence said.

is still divided about what the

Chancellor should do. The right-wing Institute of Direc-

tors, which opposes the CBI's calls for a £3,000m reflation, reaffirmed those differences again yesterday.

But the business community

Admitting that options were

yesterday maintained their pressure on the Government to ensure that next month's Budget is strongly directed towards industry and commerce.

Sir Terence Beckett, director

general of the Confederation fairly limited, he said that profit margins had been of British Industry, told a meeting of Midlands businessmen that the time had come to dig Britain out of recession.
In a speech, which will be en as a riposte to the Prime

Minister's speech to the Engin-eering Employers' Federation with its hints that the room for manoeuvre was being con-strained by falling oil prices, Sir Terence said that his members looked to a business Budget on March 9. But while praising the achievements of the Govern-

ment in the broad economic policy it had followed, Sir Terence emphasized that the private sector had borne the brunt of the recession for too

In a reference to Mrs
Thatcher's speech, the CBI
director general said: "We understand that the lower price

to 5; (ends today). Talks, lectures

Music

SDP struggles to sweep clean its own stables

Both sides accuse the other of wanting to pick the fight, which, in a roundabout way, would seem to prove them right. The councillors have in their possession a handwritten notebook discovered after a caucus meeting of the National and Local Government Officers Association some weeks ago.
It contains notes of a meeting which discussed in great detail tactics the union could Sir Terence underlined the CBI's principal advice to Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, to ease the burden on industry by cutting the employers National Insurance Complexes take in a confrontation with the council. They included refusing to pay pensioners' telephone bills

telephone bilis

For its part, the union simply points to the behaviour of SDP leaders, during the strike. The dispute started when a temporary worker in the housing department was given a full-time job which was withdrawn when he arrived to take it. The man refused to accept this and was suspended on full pay. On Wednesday night, the council's disciplinary committee cleared him of misconduct, a decision which should have paved the way to should have paved the way to a swift settlement.

cil leaders told the union that one of the children's homes shut in the strike would not reopen. No sackings were invoived, but it was, nevertheless, a particularly inflammatory way of introducing into the proceedings a topic which the council knew would be badly

Mr Patrick Haynes, a Labour member of the authority, said yesterday: "It certainly seems clear that the council want to able to lay down the law and get their way and Nalgo will resist. They want great money cuts and redundancies. There is a very big fight

Mr Evans vehemently denied that the council wanted to take on the union. "The last thing we want in the run up to an election is a fight with the unions. The whole thing is political. The abuse we got proved to be political." The Islington affair is clearly

embarrassing for the SDP nationally. Me Evans says he has had no contact with

Frank Johnson in the Commons

Was it Canada, Canavan or cannabis?

(Leominster, C) yesterday accused Mr David Steel, the Liberal Teader, of favouring the de-criminalization of Canada ". Mr Steel shook his

The charge was made during Prime Minister's question rime in the form of an inhastened to make clear that: The leader of the Liberal Party might be in favour of it, but I'm not in favour of the de-criminalization of Later, one expressed to a

colleague some satisfaction at the strong line that the Prime Minister had taken on this controversial topic only to be informed that Mr Temple-Morris had actually said Mr Steel was in favour of "the de-criminalization of cannabis," Thus Mrs Thatcher had, in my view, missed the whole point of the issue. It was another tragic case of the industrial disease with

which those of us who work in the depths of this column must live day by day as a matter of course: Commons ear. The public often forgets that there is a social cost in-volved in providing these

One assumed that it was one's colleague who had got it right, and that they were talking about cannabis. On the other hand, Canada is reme other hand, Canada is responsible for unleashing the most criminally boring leglislation in the history of our Parliament, although probably not in the history of theirs. Members flee the chamber

whenever the Canada Bill is announced, apart from the group of main line pro-ceduralists who "shoot up" on this kind of thing, as I think the term has it. The Bill was last seen on Monday. A procedure-crazy Mr Enoch Powell was trying

to talk it to death, all but talking to death the rest of us in the process. Mr Francis Pym,

Leader of the House, revealing forthcoming business yesterday, announced two more days of the measure soon. Members groaned. On

Mr Peter Temple-Morris reflection, then, there was Leominster, C) yesterday overwhelming opposition to the de-criminalization of Canada yesterday.

An alternative reading however, is that what Mr Temple Morris and the Prime head in order to deny it, as Minister were deploring was any respectable politician de-criminalization of Cana.

We are constantly being assured by the sophisticated. that consumption of Mr Dennis Canavan (Stirling quiry to Mrs Thatcher, She shire West, Lab) is harmless Cellege kids who do it at parties, such as polytechnic Labour parties, suffer no lasting harmful effects, it is argued. One would agree if it stopped there. But the argument of people like Mr Temple-Morris and the Prime Minister is that soft Canavan leads on to such hard sub-stances as Tatchell. More research is needed. I admit to having been

pleasantly zonked on Cana. van all week. One cannot resist a man who lives in such a permanent state of outrage and suspicion. A joint of and suspicion. A joint of Canavan at question time somehow makes life seem more exciting than it really is, more unreal, more creative. On Wednesday, it may be remembered, he got away with suggesting that the Prime Minister was insens. and he manoeuvred Mr Nicholas Fairbairn into accusing him of having harry line. (A notable double). Yesterday Mr Canavan

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came up with a Scottish judge who had thrice failed to become a Tory MP, and for that reason, according to Mr Canavan, was misusing his appointment to the Boun. daries Commission to create a new safe Tory seat in Scotland. Mr Pym, replying patiently explained that the last time the judge stood for Parliament was in the 1960s. that he had originally not wanted to go on the Commission, and that he was involved only with boundaries in a part of Scotland in which he had not been a candidate. Mr Canavan heard all this

with deep satisfaction. There you are, he seemed to be saying to himself, the man's a rogue. Next week, one hopes, Canavan on Canada and, if

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

New exhibitions

Bronze sculpture, paintings, drawings, theatre (lesigns, etch-ings and aquatints by Michael Ayrton, City Art Centre, 2 Market urgh: Mon to 10 to 5; (from today until March

Etchings by Jacki Parry, Garden Gallery, Durington; Mon to Fri 10 to 7.30, (Sat 10 to 12; (from today until March 26). Last chance to see

Watercolours and drawings by Joseph Crawhall; and French watercolours and drawings, Art

Gallery and Museum, Kelvingrove, Glasgow; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (both end Sun).

Art of the Edo Period of Japan, 1600-1868, Ashmolean Museum, Oxford; Mon to Sat 10 to 4, Sun 2 to 4; (ends Sun).

Photographer as Printmaker, Castle Museum, Nottingham;

Women Naive Painters, Wylma

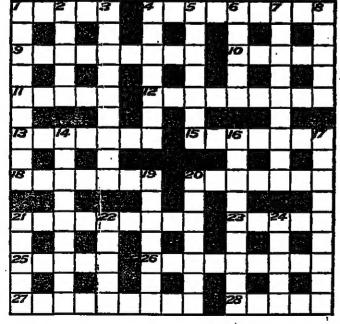
White Papers

The papers

Commenting on evems at Wormwood Scrubs, the Daily Mixror says: "The overcrowding, insultary and disgusting conditions in so many prisons are lighting a fuse; we must not be

A London Street Market, photographs by Monasti Kessler, London Tourist Board Bookshop, Victoria Station, SW1; 9.15 to 5.45; (ends today).

The Times Crossword Puzzle No. 15,766



- 13 Job in beer for Paul for
- (7) 18 Flier taking part in the quickest relay sace (7) Lettish sort of camblem (7) inverted city (5)
 24 Fish's point of view (5)
- 21 Gang from Irish city, the epitome of crookedness (4-5) 23 Fly back round the West where you may hear this (5) 25 Go on holiday (5)
- 25 Go on holiday (5) 26 It heralds change in her garb (9) 27 Cleaning this car's a mistake
- 28 Hostile soldiers you once surrounded in petreat (5)
- 1 Stem Jack's way up (9) 2 After a month, track is run
- down (5)
 3 One has dug into a mere chop
 - Prize Crossword in The Times tomorrow

daily 10 to 4.45; (ends Sun).
Paintings by Philip Reeves,
Crawford Centre for the Arts.
University of St Andrews; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5; (ends



5 "Philomel with melody Sing in our sweet —" (M N Dream) (7)

- **ACROSS** 1 To show myself not so bright,
- 6 Round, eccentric, upstanding legislator (5)
 7 Scientist turns up a lot of 4 Scene-shifter with a neat napper (9) 9 Michael was one to bend 24 out of shape (9) mud. See the point? (9)
- out of shape (9)

 10 Unpleasant arm takes Jack round to doctor (1-4)

 11 Pen the French way of writing (5)

 12 Two articles with printing design (American) that's design (American) that's similar (9) Depression over boy's cap (9)
- 17 Depression over boy's cap t 19 Charles hid in the trees (7) instance (7)

 15 Very open display of boredom

 20 Near to minors (7)

 21 Pain in the tummy and neck i caught (5)
 22 Capital of Spain — that's an
 - Solution of Puzzle No. 15,765

when the explosion The Daily Mail blames high

Wayne Fine Art, 17 Old Bond Street, W1; 10.30 to 6; (ends today). Paintings and sculpture by Vic-tor Neep, National Poetry Centre. The Daily Mail blames high youth unemployment in Britain on union insistence on high minimum wages: "In countries like W Germany, Holland and Japan wage differentials between teemagers and grown-ups are much larger, and youth unemployment is correspondingly less acute." 21 Earls Court Square, SW5; 10 The Rule of Law in a Free Society, by Mr Geoffrey Rippon, QC, MP, Cornwallis Lecture Theatre, University of Kent, Canterbury, 6. Le Matin yesterday summed up

President Reagan's speech as "dollars for the goodles and weapons against the baddies". The New York Times, while praising the boldness and generosity of his Caribbean policy, protested at the speech's "shrill and unsettling coda": virtually consiguing Nica-ragus to the Soviet camp and offering an open-ended commit ment to El Salvador.

The Christian Science Monitor said: "Security against a com-munist tide will not be gained by military means... only when the people have hope of a better

Roads

London and South-east: M4:
Westbound lane closures between junctions 8/9 and 10 near Reading.
9.30 am to 4 pm; also eastbound between Slough and Langley.
Blackwall Tunnel: Delays from 10 am to 3 pm daily. A2: Roadworks eastbound on New Cross Road between Deptford High Street and New Cross station.
Middands: A45: Temporary signals near junction 16. of the M1: also between Wellingborough and Little Irchester, Northamptonshire. A49/A5: Roadworks in Shrewsbury. A42: Traific signals at Aiverley, Shropshire:
Wales and West: A46: Temporary signals at Swanswick between Bath and Stroud. M4: Lane closure between junctions 15

Racing: Meetings at Kempton Park, 1.30 and Southwell, 1.35. Hockey: Women's home con-tries B internationals, Man-chester, 2.30; Men's indoor club finals. Crystal Palace. Lane closure between junctions 16 (Swindon) and 17 (Chippenham). North: A59: Temporary signals at Skipton, Yorkshire. A56: Road-Badminton: England v Japan, Gateshead, 6.30. Rowing: Torpids and Lents works at Hoole roundabout, Chester, A533 : Lane closures at Runcorn, Cheshire.

Cambridge Universities.

Motor rallying: Mintex Rally,
York, 7. Scotland: A9: Roadenries of Ballinvig; traffic signal for heavy vehicles. A83: Temporary diversion and single line traffic Snooker: Welsh professional championships, Ebbw Vale. with lights SW of Inverary. A93: Single line traffic N of Bridge of Information supplied by the AA.

Rail

A guards strike yesterday at Liverpool Street may affect to-day's services on Shenfield/ Southend line, Latest information on Traveline: 01-246 8030. Sea

An all-out strike of Portugues harbour pilots is preventing ships entering or leaving the country's ports until midnight tonight. Further limited action

tomatoes remain fairly expensive.
Meat prices are fairly stable; thand of pork is slightly cheaper at 88 to 23p per bound, and shoulder of lamb at 76 to 82p.

British Airways expect to opera e about 85 per cent of their European and domestic flights from lightnow today; shuttle and long haul flights are unaffected.

may cause continuing disruption

Top 10 films The top ten films in London:

1 Death Wish II 3 Dragonslayer Chariots of Fire/Gregory's

Girl Fort Apache, The Bronx Ragtime The French Lieutenant's

American top five in the provinces: Sleeping Beauty Condorman Fort Apache, The Bronx

Compiled by Screen International New law

Dragonslayer-

5 Arthur

New laws concerning company and business names come into force today with the implemen-tation of Part II of the Companies Act 1981. The Registry of Busi-ness Names is abolished and busi-nesses are relieved of the obliganesses are relieved of the obliga-tion to register. To enable those dealing with such traders to know the identity of the owners, all the identity of the owners, all businesses except those trading under the names of their owners will need to display their owners names and addresses at business premises and to supply this information on request to any customer or supplier.

Two guidance notes: Disclosure of Business Ownership and Company Names, available free from the Department of Trade, Guidance Notes Section, 55 City Road, London ECIY 1BB. A leaflet for consumers is available at Citizen Advice Bureaux.

Anniversary today Victor Hugo was born at Besan-con, 1802.

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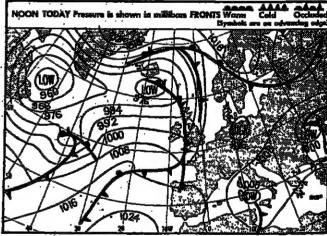
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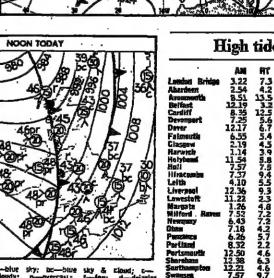
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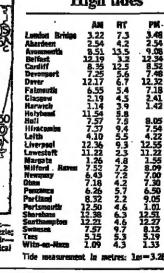
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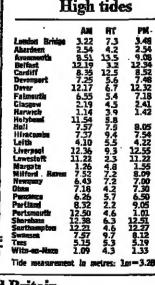
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Squash rackets: I Masters, Prestwich, 6.30.

Parliament today

Food prices

Commous (9.30) : Private Mem-

bers' Bills: Rating (Abolition)
Bill and Succession to the Crown
Bill, second readings.

Citrus fruits are still good quality—oranges, grapefruit and lemons all good value. Best apple buys are English Cox's and French Golden Delicions, and

Cape plums are particularly good value. All cabbages remain cheap; cauliflowers a little dearer, and Brussel sprouts are of variable quality. All root vege-

cucumber prices are falling, but English and Israeli hothouse

ables prices are low now